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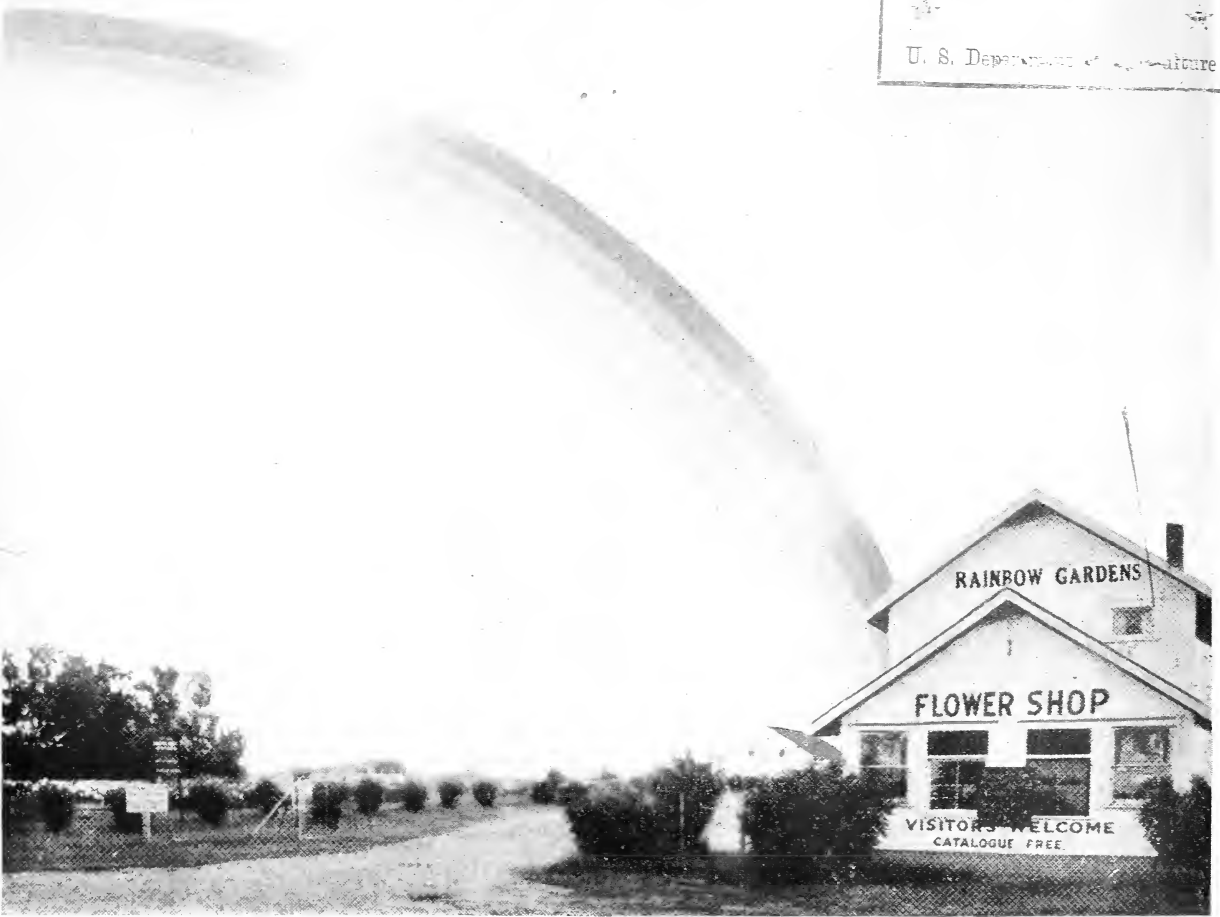
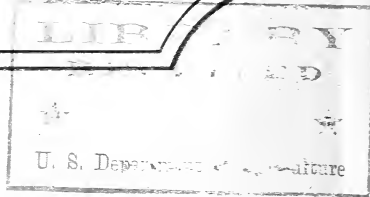
Importers and Growers of  
Choice and Rare

HARDY PERENNIALS, BULBS  
and FLOWERING SHRUBS

Including PEONIES, IRISES, PHLOXES,  
DELPHINIUMS, GLADIOLUS, LILIES,  
DAHLIAS, Etc.

Jefferson Highway  
FARMINGTON, MINNESOTA

(The Gateway to the Twin Cities)



## Directions For Ordering By Mail

All orders are booked in the rotation in which they are received. The earlier they come in the more certain will be the patron of securing the plants and bulbs of his choice. All sales are made subject to stock on hand at time of filling orders.

Terms: Cash should accompany each order. Remittances can be made by post office or express money order or bank draft or check.

*On account of the expense of handling we cannot fill orders amounting to less than \$1.00.*

Prices: All prices in this catalog are net and will not be deviated from, as we wish to treat everyone alike.

Shipping Facilities: We prepay delivery charges on Tulips and Gladiolus. Peonies, other perennials, etc., are shipped either by express or by parcel post, the purchaser paying charges. Where the shipment consists of bulbs, shrubs and perennials we will prepay the proportion that the value of the bulbs bear to the total value of the shipment. We pack in cartons wherever possible and the charge for shipment, usually by parcel post, is a very small item. Customers who desire us to prepay express charges or parcel post can remit enough to cover and any surplus will be returned, or if preferred extra plants will be sent to cover the difference. We will deliver orders free of charge to either St. Paul or Minneapolis, or within fifty miles of our Gardens. This does not apply to shrubs which are sold F. O. B. Farmington.

Orders for Irises, Peonies, Phloxes and other perennials received after the ground freezes in the fall will be forwarded early the following spring. Spring orders for Peonies, if received too late, will be forwarded in the fall.

Quality of Stock: We propose to send out strong plants and sound bulbs true to name and hold ourselves in readiness at any time to replace, on proper proof, any stock that may prove otherwise; but we shall not at any time be liable for any amount greater than the original price of the stock. Every purchase is made from us on these terms.

Complaints: If any, as to quality of goods, etc., can be entertained only when made immediately on receipt of goods.

Packing: We make no charge for packing. Plants will be packed in good condition. We guarantee safe arrival of packages by parcel post or express. After they pass out of our control we do not guarantee that they will live, as we then have no control over conditions surrounding them and the care they will receive.

PRICES IN THIS CATALOG CANCEL ALL PREVIOUS PRICES AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

## RATINGS

Peonies and Irises have been rated by the American Peony Society and the American Iris Society, these Societies having published Symposiums of votes by their members upon the merits of the different varieties in general cultivation. Ten points means that the variety is perfect, 9 nearly perfect, 8 extra good, 7 good, 6 medium. The first number denotes the rating and the number before the name of the variety our field and catalog number. In some cases the variety has not been voted on and there is no rating. Gladiolus have been rated by members of the American Gladiolus Society, but in the case of Gladiolus 100 has been used as a basis of perfection instead of 10.

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## INTRODUCTION

**R**AINBOW GARDENS celebrates its fifteenth anniversary this year. It was established in 1914 in St. Paul, Minnesota, and in 1923 we incorporated and moved to our present location on the Jefferson Highway just south of Farmington, 24 miles south of St. Paul and 26 miles south-east of Minneapolis. Here we have 40 acres, of which some 22 acres are planted in our Specialties, all fronting on the Highway, which present a wonderful sight from May until November and attract thousands of visitors.

When we established this business we determined to grow only good varieties and hardy enough to withstand our rigorous Minnesota climate, and that we would endeavor by service, honesty and quality to please our patrons and thereby gain their confidence, believing that such a course would be advantageous to both parties, and we can truthfully say that we have used every effort to live up to this ideal.

We have continually added new stock as new varieties appeared, and eliminated the old, and we feel that we can assure our customers of true to name, high rated stock that should do well in any part of the United States or elsewhere.

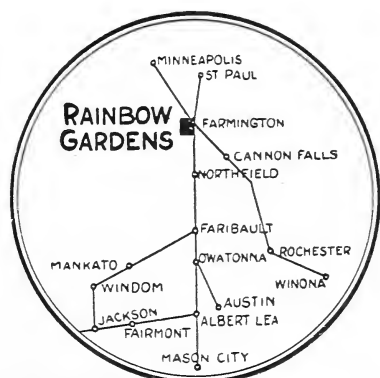
We extend a cordial invitation to all to come and visit our Exhibition Gardens, where we have some of each of our different varieties of flowers planted and labeled, and where you can select for yourself in blooming time the varieties and colors that appeal to you, when we will be glad to help you in any way possible.

Our Gardens are only an hour's drive from the Twin Cities over paved Highways. They can also be reached by railroad or by the Jefferson Highway Transportation Busses which stop at our gates.

The tulips are the first flowers to bloom in the spring. We have some 10,000 of these planted of many varieties and colors and they should make an attractive showing from May 15th to May 30th. The irises start to flower here early in May and are at their best from the fifth to the fifteenth of June. The peonies flower from late May to about July 10th, being at their best from the 10th to the 25th of June. The phloxes, delphiniums, hollyhocks and other perennials closely follow the peonies and continue to flower until frost. The gladiolus start to flower about July 15th and flower until frost, being at their best between August 15th to September 10th.

We wish to thank our customers for their orders and trust to hear from them again this year, as we have some exceptionally nice roots and bulbs to ship out.

We are always pleased to see you or hear from you as to your success with roots and bulbs from our gardens, and we promise you our co-operation whenever possible in making your garden your "Outdoor Living Room."



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AT FARMINGTON, MINNESOTA  
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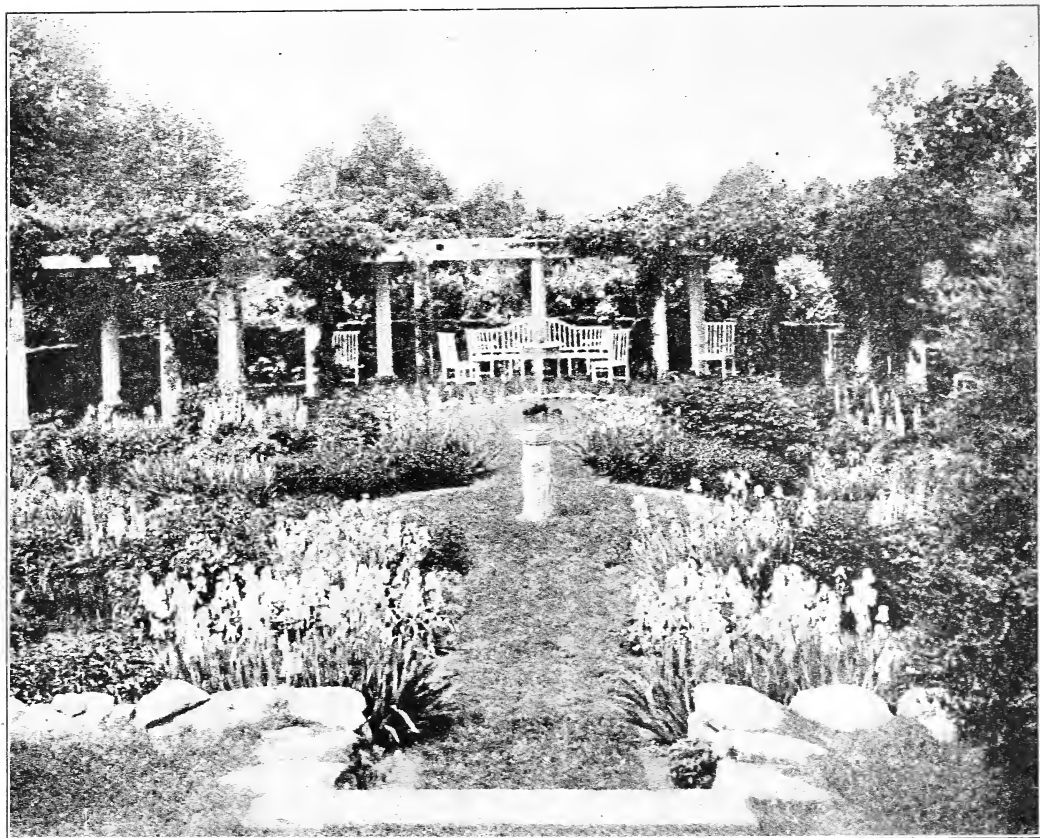
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## GARDEN PSYCHOLOGY

A pleasing garden makes a pleasant home and a pleasant home makes a happy family. Consequently since we all want to be happy it behooves us to have a pleasing garden. Judge Grier M. Orr, of St. Paul, who has been on the bench a great many years, and has made a study of and is an authority on domestic relations, and who is himself a great flower lover, has made the statement to us that he has yet to grant a divorce to a man or woman where the husband and wife work together in a garden and enjoy it in common.

Be that as it may—if and since the fundamental purpose of a garden is to give pleasure and happiness, and a pleasing garden will satisfy our aesthetic desires, will it not also satisfy our more practical side since it always adds to the monetary value of a home.

It used to be proper to put all our show in the front yard and forget the back yard. Now, foundation planting of shrubs with some perennial plants to give color and attractiveness, are practically all that is used there, while the back yard is used as an "Outdoor Living Room," as well as the service section of the home.

This Outdoor Living Room should, if possible, be on the side overlooked from the inside living room or dining room, or both, and it is here that the flower beds are planted.

In arranging this Outdoor Living Room, certain facts are to be considered. First, since we desire it as our Outdoor Living Room we must make it as private as possible, and then we must furnish this Living Room in proportion to its size. Boundary lines, such as a fence or hedge is always desirable, as it not only insures the privacy desired, but in the case of a small yard, if the proper fencing is used, has the tendency to make the space look larger. In this case, a wall, lattice fence or wire fence with vines or good background perennials planted near is best, as it does not take up much space. On the other hand, if the space warrants it, shrubbery or hedging in an informal design may be used for this purpose. Shrubs must be used sparingly, however, in a small yard and really only when necessary to hide unsightly spots or corners.

The garden design must then be carefully planned and proper plants and shrubs selected to make a pleasing picture with the house as a center.

Beds for flowers along the borders of the yard may be either straight and formal or curved and informal, but must be always wide enough to give a spacious effect, six feet being the minimum.

In planning the perennial garden it is well to bear in mind that there are certain perennials which give form or contour and an effect of permanency. Peonies and irises will do this, while delphiniums, hollyhocks and Siberian irises make good backgrounds against fences or garages, and phloxes, dahlias, gladiolus, pyrethrum, coreopsis, etc., will give the necessary spots of color in various parts of the yard.

Gardens need renovating the same as the inside of a house every once in a while, the newer improved varieties added and the old discarded. There are now so many wonderful, larger flowered, higher rated peonies among the new varieties, the same with the new introductions of irises, gladiolus, etc., which are so far superior in flowers and color, that the old, common, low rated varieties should be discarded and no longer allowed a space in any garden.

The shrubs, perennials and bulbs listed in our 1929 catalog, with a few accessories to add to its attractiveness, such as garden seats, bird baths, bird houses, pools or summer houses where space permits, will make your yard a truly Outdoor Living Room.



Peonies in our Exhibition Garden.

## PEONIES (Hardy Perennials)

Flowering from May 25th to July 5th, depending on variety.

Peonies are amongst the best and most beautiful of the herbaceous plants. They are one of the hardiest and are adapted to almost any soil. They require but little attention and withstand intense cold winters with no serious effects.

They may justly claim superiority over other perennials in at least one particular—in that when once planted they are there to stay. The peony is as justly entitled to be called the Queen of the garden as the stately iris is to be called the King of the garden.

It is well to plant as many peonies as is possible so that you will have flowers throughout the month of June and early July. This can be done by planting early, mid-season and late varieties of the different colors. There is nothing that attracts so much attention and beautifies the home grounds as a beautiful assortment of peonies.

In shipping Peonies to our customers we are not only careful to send correct stock, but also in sending strong three to five eye divisions, rather than the two to three eye divisions now often offered, assuring a larger root and practically a year's start in development. Our varieties are high rated, fine and satisfactory and well adapted for growing in any part of the United States. See our Special Collections on page 22.

We also offer in many of the varieties two and three year clumps to enable our customers to obtain quicker results and a better showing in their gardens.

**Planting and Care:** Peonies may be shipped and planted in April and May before the growth is too far advanced and in the fall from early September until the ground freezes in November. Plant from three to four feet apart. Do not cover the eyes or new buds with over two to three inches of soil. Too deep planting prevents blooming. Do not let manure come in contact with the roots, as this will cause club root and sickly plants. Bone meal is a good fertilizer to use.

The first number denotes the rating of the peony, according to the American Peony Society, and the number immediately before the name of the variety our field and catalog number. As to ratings, see page 2. *Remember we do not ship orders amounting to less than \$1.00. See page 2.*

8.5 1000—Adolphe Rousseau (Dessert & Mechin). Very large, semi-double. Purple garnet, very tall, vigorous grower; dark foliage, veined red. One of the darkest and earliest reds. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 and \$3.50.

8.6 1001—Albert Crousse (Crousse). Very large, full bloom fresh salmon pink; bomb type; one of the finest pinks; fragrant; late. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

8.8 1002—Alsace-Lorraine (Lemoine). Very large, flat flower with petals arranged like those of a water-lily. Creamy white with a golden halo. Tall, free bloomer. Distinct and beautiful. Late. \$3.00.

8.1 1004—Asa Gray (Crousse). Large, compact flower of semi-rose type. Pale lilac sprinkled with darker lilac dots. Beautiful. Fragrant. Midseason. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

7.3 1005—Auguste Villaume (Crousse). Rose type; late. Rich violet-rose. Fragrant. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.

7.8 1006—Augustin d'Hour (Calot). Dark, brilliant, solferino red, silvery reflex. Bomb shape Midseason. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.

8.7 1007—Avalanche (Crousse). Very large, globular, rose-type. Pure white edged with a light line of carmine. Midseason. Fine variety. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

9.1 1008—Baroness Schroeder (Kelway). Very large, flesh-white to milk-white. Fragrant, tall grower. Midseason. One of the finest peonies. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

7.6 1009—Ben Franklin (Brand). Brilliant crimson with darker shading at base of petals; very tall, blooms with great profusion; medium early; a striking dark peony. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

7. 1010—Berloiz (Crousse). Rose type; late mid-season. Enormous full globular imbricated blooms, bright currant red. Center tinted rose and shaded with amaranth. A showy, beautiful variety. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

## PEONIES---Continued

- 8.7 1011—**Brand's Magnificent** (Brand). Mid-season. Color deep, dark red with a bluish cast. Large rose-like petals, broad and symmetrically arranged. Semi-rose type. \$4.00.
8. 1013—**Charles McKellip** (Brand). A large, rich, bright red peony; opens rose shaped and develops into the plume type. \$2.00. Clumps, \$3.50 and \$5.00.
- 8.6 1014—**Cherry Hill** (ThurLOW). Large flowers of deep garnet, with a sheen which makes them very noticeable; semi-rose type; midseason. \$5.00.
- 6.4 1015—**Chestine Gowdy** (Brand). Cone-shaped; shell pink with rich cream colored collar; the broad pink petals are splashed with crimson; medium late. Fragrant. \$2.00.
- 8.7 1016—**Claire Dubois** (Crousse). Large, globular flower, rose type, a clear deep violet rose with silvery tips; erect, tall, late. Splendid flower. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.
- 8.1 1019—**Couronne d'Or** (Calot). Large flat semi-rose type. Pure white with a ring of yellow stamens around a tuft of center petals, tipped carmine. Medium tall. Late. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 7.1 1020—**Delachei** (Delache). Large, medium compact, rose type, violet crimson, slightly tipped silver. Strong erect, free bloomer, fragrant. Late midseason. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 7.7 1021—**Dorchester** (Richardson). Very large and very full, creamy flesh color tinged with pink. Late midseason. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 7.8 1022—**Duc de Wellington** (Calot). Bomb, with white guards and sulphur center. A vigorous, tall-growing plant. Fragrant. Late. 50c. Clumps, \$1.00 and \$1.50.
- 8.1 1023—**Duchess de Nemours** (Calot). Crown type; early. Superb, cup-shaped, sulphur-white flowers with greenish reflex; gradually changes to a pure snow white without spot or blemish. Fragrant. 50c. Clumps, \$1.00 to \$1.50.
- 7.6 1024—**Edulis Superba** (Lemon). Large, loose, flat crown. Bright mauve pink, collar mixed with narrow lilac. Fragrant. Early. 50c. Clumps, \$1.00 to \$1.50.
- 9.2 1025—**Elizabeth Barrett Browning** (Brand). Soft shell-pink when first opening, outer petals and center marked crimson; tall grower, very late, large, glossy foliage. Fragrant; a grand white peony. Each, \$5.00.
- 7.6 1026—**Ella Wheeler Wilcox** (Brand). Deep shell pink, bomb shaped; very fragrant; late; blossoms in clusters. \$1.50.
- 8.7 1027—**Elwood Pleas** (Pleas). Pink. Rose type, late midseason. Comes in clusters, opening several large blooms to the stalk. Large, flat, full double; light shell pink. \$4.00.
- 8.9 1028—**Enchantresse** (Lemoine). White. Rose type, very late. Large, globular flower. Creamy white, guards splashed crimson. Center of flower faintly flecked crimson. Fragrant. Beautiful. \$4.00.
- 8.0 1029—**Etta** (Terry). Large, semi-flat flowers of a fine shade of deep shell pink. One of Terry's best. Very late. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 and \$3.50.
- 8.3 1030—**Eugene Bigot** (Dessert). Semi-rose; slightly silver tipped; brilliant red; midseason to late. Striking red. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 8.6 1031—**Eugenie Verdier** (Calot). Semi-rose type. Early. Hydrangea pink, tinted lighter; center flushed crimson. Often flowers to perfection for two weeks. Enormous fragrant blooms on 3 to 4 foot stems. A great beauty. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 7.5 1032—**Fanny Crosby** (Brand). One row of lovely shade of soft pink guard petals, surmounted by a canary yellow; large size, tall, mid-season; one of the best yellows. \$3.00.
- 8.2 1033—**Faribault** (Brand). Deep rose with a silver sheen, different from any other rose shade; center petals silver tipped; fragrant; medium height, large flowers. Very late. \$1.50.
- 8.4 1035—**Felix Crousse** (Crousse). Large, compact, globular bomb. Brilliant red. Fragrant. Strong grower. Free bloomer. Midseason. One of the finest reds. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 9.3 1036—**Festiva Maxima** (Mieliez). Very large globular, rose type. Pure white, flecked crimson. Very fragrant, tall. Early. Most popular white variety. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 7.5 1037—**Floral Treasure** (Rosenfield). (Syn. *Delicatissima*). Large, rose type. Pale lilac rose. Fragrant, strong, tall grower. Early. 50c. Clumps, \$1.00 to \$1.50.
- 8.1 1038—**Florence Nightingale** (Brand). Large beautiful, tall, fragrant, pure white, with faint crimson markings on edges of a few petals; rose type, very late; one of the finest whites. \$1.00.
- 9.1 1039—**Frances Willard** (Brand). Tall, strong grower; cream white flowers of large size, yet delicate texture; remains a pinkish cream; fragrant; very attractive. Late midseason. \$2.50.
- 8.8 1047—**Grandiflora** (Richardson). Rose type; very late. Bright sea-shell pink overlaid with delicate lilac and salmon pink. An immense, grand and beautiful peony. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.
- 8.2 1049—**Grover Cleveland** (Terry). Very large, dark crimson, rose type; strong grower; one of Terry's best; late. \$2.00.
- 7.8 1050—**H. F. Reddick** (Brand). Large, semi-rose, brilliant dark crimson, with golden stamens among the petals. Very floriferous and fine; fragrant, late midseason. \$1.00.
- 8.2 1051—**Harriet Farnsley** (Brand). Beautiful soft pink, similar to Madam Emile Galle, but blooms later and of better substance; rose type, large flowers; very late. \$1.00.
- 8.7 1055—**James Kelway** (Kelway). Large rose white, changing to milk white; semi-rose type; tall, strong, free bloomer; early midseason. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.
- 7.9 1056—**Jeanne d'Arc** (Calot). Soft rose; center white, tinted carmine; midseason. Produces large tri-colored blooms. Beautiful. 50c. Clumps, \$1.00 to \$1.50.
- 8.9 1058—**Jubilee** (Pleas). Extremely large, flat flower, rose type; flesh-white fading to pure white. Fragrant, strong grower, greatly admired; midseason. \$3.00.
- 8.6 1059—**Judge Berry** (Brand). Delicate pink of surpassing beauty, 7-8 inches in diameter; flat semi-rose type, medium tall, profuse bloomer, very early, very fragrant, fine for cutting. \$4.00.
- 8.8 1061—**Karl Rosenfield** (Rosenfield). Large, globular, semi-rose type; dark crimson. Strong, tall and free bloomer; midseason; a very brilliant striking and favorite variety; fragrant. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 and \$3.50.



## PEONIES---Continued



Peonies make very attractive borders for driveways, walks, etc.

9.1 1064—*Lady Alexandra Duff* (Kelway). Immense cup-shaped flower, rose type. Outer petals of a delicate pale pink, fading to white; beautiful, free flowering. Fragrant; one of the finest. Mid-season. \$3.00. Clumps, \$5.00 and \$7.50.

9. 1066—*LaFrance* (Lemoine). Very large, compact, globular, rose type; uniform rose-white color, outer guard petals splashed crimson; tall, strong, very fragrant; late midseason; one of the finest. \$5.00.

8.5 1068—*La Perle* (Crousse). Rose type; mid-season. Large, compact, globular flowers; white overlaid with lilac, with a blush center; central petals flecked with carmine, sometimes splashed; fragrant. Beautiful. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

8.3 1071—*La Roserie* (Crousse). White. Large flowers in large clusters. Straw yellow at center, shading to a creamy white border. Fragrant. A striking variety. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.

8.1 1073—*La Tendresse* (Crousse). White. Rose type, early. Tall flowers of immense size in clusters, petals wax-like. Color creamy white, changing to pure white, guards slightly splashed, center flecked crimson. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

7.5 1074—*La Tulipe* (Calot). Semi-rose type; late mid-season. Globular, fragrant flowers, delicate blush-white, shading to ivory white with red tulip markings on outside of guard petals. Beautiful in bud. 65c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

9.9 1077—*Le Cygne* (Lemoine). Enormous, perfectly formed, globular, pure milk white flower, fragrant, erect, medium tall, stiff stem; free bloomer; midseason; considered the finest peony in the world and has the highest rating. \$10.00.

8.1 1078—*Livingstone* (Crousse). Large, compact flower of perfect rose type. Pale lilac-rose, center petals flecked carmine. Very late. Extra good variety. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

9. 1079—*Longfellow* (Brand). Large flower of brilliant cherry crimson; claimed to be the brightest peony in existence; having golden stamens surrounding center petals, while the outer petals are slightly reflexed. Midseason. \$3.50.

8.3 1080—*Lora Dexheimer* (Brand). Flaming crimson shading darker at base of petals; medium height, immense flowers, semi-rose type; early. \$2.00.

7.6 1081—*Lord Kitchener* (Renault). Bomb type; medium tall, very early; bright cherry-red. A fine early red. Free and strong in bloom and growth. \$1.00.

7.3 1082—*Louisa Brand* (Brand). Exquisite blush white fading to white; when first opens resembles a beautiful white water lily; semi-rose type; late midseason; tall, very attractive. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.

7.5 1085—*Mme. de Galhau* (Crousse). Soft, fleshy pink, shaded salmon. Globular, rose type. Guards, rose white, center pale lilac-rose. Fragrant. Strong. Late. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

8.1 1086—*Madam Calot* (Mieliez). Large rose type. Pale hydrangea-pink, center shaded slightly darker with a somewhat sulphur-tint in the collar. Tall strong grower, free bloomer. Early. Fragrant. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

7.9 1153—*Mme. de Verneville* (Crousse). Large, bomb. Pure white, center blush when first open, fading to pure white; prominent carmine flecks. Fragrant. Early. An extra good variety. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

## PEONIES---Continued

- 8.5 1087—**Madam Emile Galle** (Crousse). Rose type; late midseason. Large, double, cup-shaped, imbricated flowers; delicate sea-shell-pink with touches of heliotrope and lavender. One of the finest. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 8.9 1088—**Madam Emile Lemoine** (Lemoine). Large, globular, compact, semi-rose type. Milk-white. Tall, strong, vigorous grower. Midseason. Beautiful. Fragrant. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.
- 7.7 1089—**Madam Forel** (Crousse). Enormous, compact, rose-type bloom. Violet-rose with a silvery tipped center. Very fragrant. Medium tall. Late. Fine variety. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 7.9 1090—**Madam Geissler** (Crousse). Rose type; midseason. Violet rose, tipped silver, fragrant. One of the largest of peonies. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 9.4 1094—**Mme. Jules Dessert** (Dessert). Large flowers of exquisite coloring. White, but shaded with buff and salmon tints; one of the most beautiful peonies in existence; late midseason. \$3.50.
- 8.4 1096—**Marguerite Gerard** (Crousse). Large, semi-rose type. Very pale hydrangea-pink, fading to nearly white, central petal minutely flecked dark carmine. Very strong. Late. Extra fine. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 8.5 1101—**Marie Lemoine** (Calot). Rose type, very late. Enormous and massive, often 8 to 10 inches across. Ivory-white with occasional narrow carmine tracings on the edge of some of the petals. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 9.1 1102—**Martha Bullock** (Brand). Mammoth cup-shaped blossoms, often nine to twelve inches across; the largest of the good peonies; soft rose pink; tall strong grower, exquisitely beautiful and fragrant. Late. \$10.00.
- 8.7 1104—**Mary Brand** (Brand). A vivid crimson with silky sheen; golden stamens scattered through the center of irregularly fringed petals; medium height, large flowers; one of the best dark red peonies; midseason. \$2.00.
- 7.9 1107—**Mathilde de Roseneck** (Crousse). Large, globular, rose type. Uniform pale lilac-rose. Very wide petals. Center deep carmine. Fragrant. Late. Beautiful. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
9. 1111—**Milton Hill** (Richardson). Very large, globular, rose type; pure lilac rose; very delicate and beautiful coloring; one of the finest; late. \$5.00.
- 8.3 1112—**Mons. Dupont** (Calot). Large flat flower with a milk white center, splashed crimson and showing stamens. Tall. Midseason. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 9.2 1113—**Monsieur Jules Elie** (Crousse). Bomb type; early midseason; a king among peonies. Immense globular, very full flowers. Glossy lilac-pink, shading to deeper rose at the base, the entire flower overlaid with a sheen of silver that fairly shimmers in the sunlight. \$1.50. Clumps, \$2.50 to \$3.50.
9. 1114—**Mons. Martin Cahuzac** (Dessert). Globular flower of very dark purple garnet with black reflex. Darkest peony in existence. Handsome; early midseason. \$3.00.
- 8.5 1119—**Octavie Demay** (Calot). Large, full flower of crown type. Delicate pink and white. Dwarf. Fragrant and beautiful. Early. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
- 8.6 1155—**Officinalis Rubra**. Red. A large round bloom of vivid crimson. This is the old deep bright red peony of the old-time garden. Earliest of peonies. In most parts of the United States it is generally in bloom on Decoration Day. Earlier than the new varieties. \$1.00.
- 7.6 1120—**Old Silver Tip** (Brand). Red. Silvery effect on the edge of the petals. Color, a soft madder-red. Semi-rose type. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 9.2 1122—**Philippe Rivoire** (Rivoire). A very fine bright crimson. Very delightfully formed with splendid growth. The most fragrant of the red peonies. Midseason. \$15.00.
- 8.8 1124—**Phyllis Kelway** (Kelway). Pink. Very large flower of exquisite beauty. Lavender flesh, passing to white in the center. \$8.00.
- 7.6 1125—**Pierre Dessert** (Dessert). Red. Large medium compact, semi-rose type. Dark crimson purple, silvery tipped. One of the earliest dark reds. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 8.6 1128—**Primevere** (Lemoine). Large, bomb type, having outer petals buff and center sulphur yellow; tall, strong grower. Fragrant, very fine; midseason. \$2.50.
- 7.6 1129—**Prince of Darkness** (Brand). Rich dark maroon peony; one of the darkest; opens early and lasts long; semi-rose; good bloomer. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 7.9 1130—**Rachel** (Terry). Semi-rose. Midseason. Large brightest garnet red, shaded richest ruby red. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 8.8 1134—**Richard Carvel** (Brand). Very early, deep red; immense globular bomb; tall, fragrant and beautiful; best of all early dark reds. \$4.00.
- 7.2 1137—**Rubra Superba** (Richardson). Large, rose type. Deep rose carmine or crimson. Fragrant. Very late. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 to \$2.50.
9. 1139—**Sarah Bernhardt** (Lemoine). Large, semi-rose type; apple blossom pink with each petal silver-tipped. Fragrant; late midseason. \$2.00.
- 9.7 1141—**Solange** (Lemoine). Large, globular, crown type; outer petals very delicate lilac white, deepening toward the center with salmon shading; rare beauty; considered one of the three best in the world; very late. \$5.00.
- 7.6 1142—**Solfatare** (Calot). Crown type; midseason; milk-white, guards, sulphur collar, fading to sulphur white. One of the nearest to a yellow peony. Fragrant. 75c. Clumps, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
- 8.5 1144—**Tenuifolia fl. pl.** Early double crimson, very finely cut fern-like foliage. \$3.00.
- 9.8 1145—**Therese** (Dessert). Rose type; flowers enormous in great quantities on stout stems; delicate, rich satiny pink with glossy reflex; early; very handsome; one of the most desirable varieties; a prize winner at every exhibition. \$3.50.
- 9.4 1146—**Tourangelle** (Dessert). Large, flat flower of rose type; flesh pink tinged with salmon; exquisitely delicate in shading; one of the finest. Fragrant; midseason. \$3.00.
- 8.3 1147—**Venus** (Kelway). Large delicate shell-pink. Beautiful. Ideal cut-flower. Fragrant. Midseason. \$1.00. Clumps, \$1.75 and \$2.50.
- 9.3 1150—**Walter Faxon** (Richardson). Large, globular semi-rose type. Bright rose, deepening toward the center. Distinct and delicate. Midseason, scarce. \$4.00.

### SINGLE JAPANESE HERBACEOUS PEONY

- 8.6 1154—**Mikado**. Large flower, dark crimson with narrow filament petals, crimson edged and tipped golden; very late; very attractive. \$2.50.

(See prices on special collection, page 22.)

## IRISES (Hardy Perennials)

Flowering from April 25th to August 1st  
depending on variety.

Irises are one of the most satisfactory and beautiful perennials for the garden.

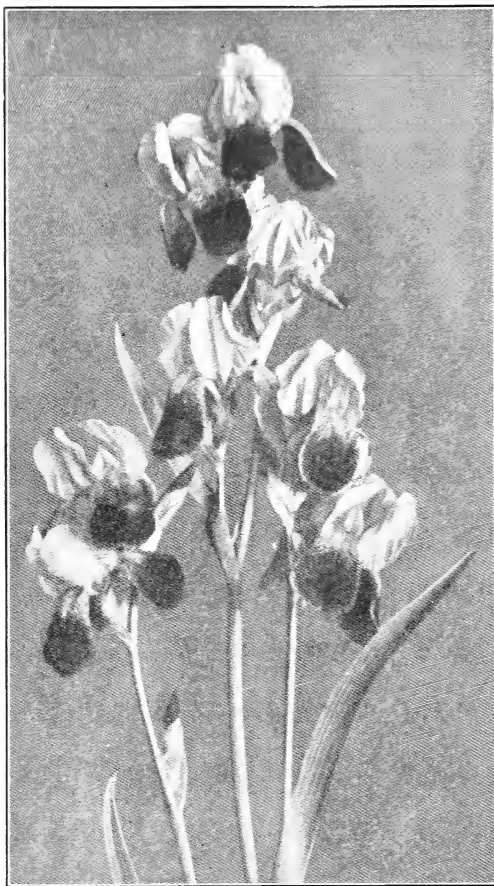
They flower during a long period of time; require practically no care; multiply rapidly; grow in practically any kind of soil; are inexpensive; gorgeous in coloring, which with their fragrance gives them a charm not possessed by any other flower; they withstand extreme heat and cold and are the best drought resisters amongst the perennials.

The stately habits of Irises, their gorgeous effects, their wonderful coloring and their freeness of bloom have well entitled them to the name of the "Orchid of the Hardy Garden," but Irises have the advantage of the orchid in delicacy of structure and in greater facility of culture.

**Planting and Care.** Irises should be planted in April and May as soon as the roots have sufficient growth to permit transplanting and in the fall from July 20th until the ground freezes in November. Fresh manure should not be used as a fertilizer, as it rots the roots. Bone meal is always a safe as well as a good fertilizer. The roots should be planted so that the top of the root is at least two inches below the surface and from two to two and one-half feet apart. The dwarf Irises, however, can be planted closer. We advise covering all Irises with a light covering of marsh hay or straw as soon as the ground freezes, where winters are severe, to prevent the roots freezing out.

The first number denotes the rating of the Iris, according to the American Iris Society, and the number immediately before the name of the variety, our field and catalog number. As to ratings, see page 2.

In the descriptions of the Irises the S refers to the Standards or upright petals and the F to the Falls or drooping petals.



### Dwarf Early Bearded Hybrid Crimean Irises

April and Early May Flowering Irises.

These are excellent plants for permanent borderings or rockeries, growing from 6 to 18 inches high, and flower during April and May. They are very hardy, succeed in almost any soil or situation, thriving in a dry sunny location same as the Tall Bearded Irises. When planted in a double row, about four inches apart, they make a very effective edging. They can also be planted in front of the taller varieties.

**Culture.** Same as the Tall Bearded Irises.

6.5 4—**Cyanea, Pumila.** (G. & K.) S. rich bright blue; F. dark satiny blue, large, handsome. 15c.

6.8 8—**Florida.** (G. & K.) S. citron yellow; F. deeper yellow, beautifully veined. 10 in. 20c.

12—**Royal Purple, Pumila.** S. and F. a handsome shade of rich purple. 12 in. 25c.

7.4 13—**Schneekuppe, Pumila.** (G. and K.) 1910. Large, flowering, showy, pure white; falls reticulated yellow at base. 25c.

### Intermediate Bearded Irises

May Flowering Irises.

The Intermediate Irises comprise a new group of hybrids derived mostly from crosses between the Dwarf Crimean Irises and the Tall Bearded Irises, forming an intermediate race, both in height, and period of blooming. The flowers are very large, most beautifully colored, growing from 12 to 18 inches in height and bloom two weeks before the Tall Bearded Irises, viz.: from about May 10th to June 1st in this latitude, thus forming a connecting link between the Dwarf Crimean Irises and the handsome Tall Bearded Irises.

**Culture.** Same as the Tall Bearded Irises.

6.7 35—**Blue Boy** (Fos.). A charming Iris of rich violet blue practically self-colored, even beard being blue. One of the best of Intermediates. 18 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.

7.1 37—**Dolphin** (Cap.) S. light blue; F. velvety, violet purple, tall, handsome. 18 in. 35c.

7.6 39—**Dorothea** (Cap.). Porcelain white tinged with lilac. Huge and handsome. 15 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.

41—**Empress** (Cap.). Creamy white. 35c.

7.1 45—**Halfdan** (G. & K.). Rich creamy yellow.

low. 2 ft. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.

7.7 46—**Ingeborg** (G. & K.). Very fine, pure white, immense flower. 2 ft. 35c.

6.4 49—**Lurida.** S. bronze crimson; F. glossy bronze maroon. 25c.

8. 53—**Royal** (Cap.). Blue and violet. 12 in. 35c.

7.3 54—**Walhalla** (G. & K.). S. light blue; F. velvety violet-purple, handsome. 30 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.

(See prices on special collection, page 22.)

## Tall Bearded Irises (Pogoniris)

### Late May and June Flowering Irises—Fleur-de-lis

The flowers are large and exceedingly handsome and most of them deliciously fragrant and are in bloom during late May and June. Their beauty outrivals that of the Orchids in their delicacy of structure and wide range of coloring. There are the richest yellows, the most intense purples, delicate blues, the softest mauves and beautiful claret-reds. There are also whites, primroses and bronzes of every shade. They are especially adapted for flower borders, shrubberies, woodland walks and wild gardens and for surrounding lakes and ponds. If planted around pools or lakes they should be placed well above the water level.

### Late May Flowering Irises

7.8 76—*Amas* (syn. *Macrantha*). A handsome giant from Asia Minor. S. rich blue; F. violet. 32 in. 35c.

77—*American Black Prince*. S. purple lilac; F. rich velvety black, very early. 2 ft. 25c.

8.9 78—*Crimson King*. Rich claret purple. 2 ft. 25c.

7. 81—*Kochii*. S. and F. rich claret purple; very handsome. 25c.

7.4 83—*Purple King*. Full purple, very effective and handsome. 2 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

### June Flowering Irises

8.6 100—*Afterglow* (Sturt.). A soft grayish lavender shading to a rich Pinard yellow through the center. Strong grower. 3 ft. 75c.

7.9 101—*Albert Victor*. A great favorite. S. soft blue; F. beautiful lavender, large and beautiful flower. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

8.9 102—*Alcazar* (Vlm.). A giant flower. S. light bluish violet; F. deep purple, bronze veined at the throat. Beautiful. 4 ft. 35c.

8.3 104—*Ambigu* (Vlm.). A French variety of novel coloring. A distinct reddish purple. 30 in. \$1.00.

9.4 103—*Ambassadeur* (Vilmorin). Stout, stiff stems about 4 ft. high. Smoky reddish violet standards, falls a velvety dark reddish violet. Beard, yellow. A magnificent variety. \$1.00.

7.7 107—*Anne Leslie*. (Sturt.). S. white, rose tinted; F. dahlia carmine, orange beard. 27 in. 75c.

9.2 111—*Asia* (Yeld.). A grand importation with unusually large flowers. S. broad and massive pale silvery lavender, deepening at the base to yellow and gold; F. pale reddish purple lightening in color toward the margin. Beard bright golden yellow. 4½ ft. \$3.00.

7.4 112—*Athene* (Sturt.). White, haft and claw finely ret. maroon on cream; beard lemon yellow, style branches light buff yellow on the sides. Strong grower, handsome. 33 in. 50c.

7.4 113—*Aurea* (Jac.). S. and F. rich chrome yellow. 2 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

8.2 116—*Azure* (Bliss, 1918). S. lavender-blue; F. broad rich violet blue, perfect in color tone. A delightful seedling and beautiful on account of its clear and intense coloring. 75c.

9.4 126—*Ballarine* (Vilm., 1920). S. light violet blue; F. deeper. Splendidly formed, large. Fragrant. Strong grower. 48 in. \$1.50.

127—*Bluebeard*. S. and F. and even blue. One of the best blues. 35c.

7.1 129—*Blue Jay* (Farr.). S. bright clear blue; F. intense dark blue. 30 in. 35c.

9.1 131—*Brandywine* (Farr.). S. and F. pale silvery blue; distinct orange beard. Effect is clear blue. \$2.50.

8.5 132—*B. Y. Morrison* (Sturt.). S. pale lavender-violet; F. velvety raisin-purple with broad

lavender border. Distinct, handsome. \$1.00.

7.9 138—*Camelot* (Bliss). *Madam Chereau* type; spikes 4 ft. high. S. and F. creamy white, edged with pale violet. 35c.

7.5 139—*Caprice* (Vilm.). S. reddish purple; F. deeper and richer. A good wine red Iris. Handsome. 3 ft. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.

7.8 142—*Clematis* (Bliss). Unique. Shaped like a fine Japanese Iris or a large six petaled *Clematis*. All six segments of the flower reflects horizontally. Light clear violet with variable veining at base. Strong, free flowering and fragrant. 30 in. \$1.00.

7.3 143—*Clio*. S. lavender; shaded white; F. rich purple edged white. Pretty. 35c.

8.6 144—*Cluny* (Vilm.). Magnificent tall growing, large. Lovely shade of pale lilac-blue, the F. slightly deeper with brown veinings at base. Early. 39 in. 50c.

8. 145—*Col. Candelot*. S. light brownish drab slightly flushed lavender; F. velvety brick to Vandye red. 50c.

7.1 146—*Cordelia* (Park.). S. rosy lilac; F. rich crimson purple, handsome, floriferous, late flowering. 35c.

7.6 149—*Crusader* (Fos.). S. a light shade and F. a deep shade of violet blue, beard orange yellow. 42 in. 50c.

7.1 150—*Celeste* (Lum.). Pale azure blue, large flower. 25c.

8. 157—*Dalila* (Den.). S. palest flesh white; F. rich red purple; yellow beard. Striking. 50c.

163—*Diadem* (Bliss). S. pale mauve; F. deep reddish mauve, with brilliant orange beard. Very striking. 3 ft. \$1.00.

8.3 164—*Dimity* (Bliss). S. white slightly veined mauve; F. veined lavender, beard white tipped brown. 3 ft. 50c.

7.4 169—*Dr. Bernice*. S. coppery bronze; F. velvety crimson. Large, handsome. A good reddish variety. 35c.

8.2 170—*Drake* (Bliss). On the lines of *P. Dalmatica* with flowers of the palest Cambridge blue. Free flowering. 3 ft. 75c.

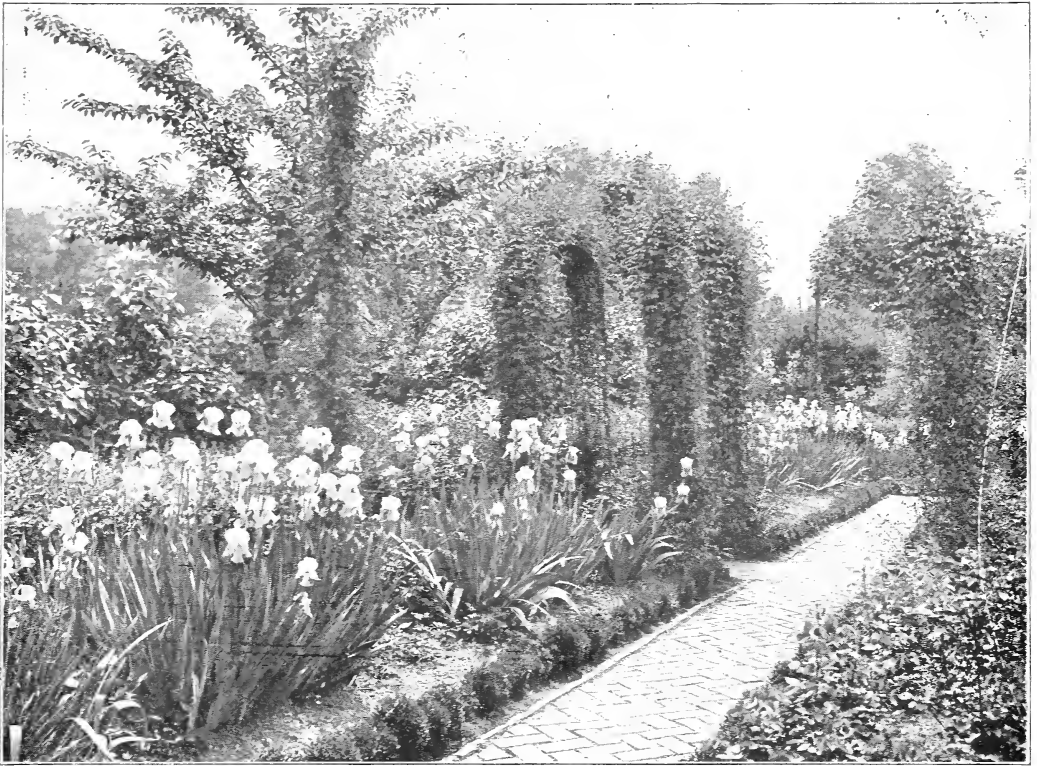
8.5 171—*Dream* (Sturt.). Very near to a perfect pink, self color. Beautiful large flowers. 38 in. 75c.

174—*Dusky Maid* (Bliss). Similar to *Mrs. Cowley*. S. pale buff; F. large, wide, spreading, of a deep mauve-purple with pale broad margin. Fine. 30 in. 50c.

186—*Edward VII* (Perry). S. blue; F. bright reddish violet, fine for cutting. 32 in. 35c.

7.8 188—*Eldorado* (Vilm.). S. yellowish-bronze shaded beautifully with heliotrope; F. bright violet-purple, center of flower golden yellow. 30 in. 50c.

8. 197—*Fairy* (Kem.). White, delicately suffused soft blue. The tallest standard variety giving a white effect. Popular, sweet smelling beautiful variety. 40 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.



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- 7.5 202—Fro. (G. & K.). S. deep gold; F. brilliant chestnut-brown with narrow border of gold. 25c.
- 7.3 220—Her Majesty (Per.). S. rose pink; F. bright crimson tinged a darker shade; a beautiful pink. 30 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 7.4 222—Hiawatha (Farr). S. pale lavender, flushed rose; F. royal purple, bordered lavender. 28 in. 35c.
- 7.9 230—Iris King (G. & K.). S. clear lemon yellow; F. rich maroon, bordered yellow, brilliant large flowers; handsome. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
7. 241—James Boyd (Farr). S. immense, broad, incurved, clear light blue; F. dark violet tipped and edged lighter; handsome. 30 in. 50c.
- 7.8 243—Jeanne d'Arc (Verd.). White, frilled lilac. A beautiful plicata. 35c.
- 8.1 245—Juniata (Farr). S. and F. beautiful clear blue. Huge, sweet scented. 44 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 8.3 269—La Neige (Verd.). A pure wax white. Beard clear yellow. \$1.00.
9. 262—Lent A. Williamson (Wmsn.). S. campanula-violet; F. rich royal purple; beard yellow. Tall and large. 75c.
- 7.3 263—Leonidas. S. clear mauve; F. rosy mauve. Large, handsome. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 8.2 266—Lohengrin (G. & K.). Lilac rose; very large and beautiful. 30 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 9.1 267—Lord of June (Yeld). Handsome huge Iris. S. of lavender blue; F. rich violet blue. One of the finest Irises. 40 in. \$1.00.
- 7.9 268—Loreley (G. & K.). S. light yellow; F. ultra-marine blue, bordered cream. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 8.5 276—Madam Chobaut (Denis). Pale yellow shaded and veined pale brown. Three feet. Unusual coloring. \$1.50.
- 277—Magnifica. S. olive, shaded red; F. dark brown red, a beautiful variety. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 9.1 278—Magnifica (Vilm.). S. light violet blue; F. dark reddish violet with brown stripes at base; beard yellow. Not to be confused with old standard variety of like name. 3 ft. \$1.00.
- 8.1 279—Ma Mie (Cay.). White frilled with blue, an improved Mme. Chereau. 3 ft. 50c.
- 7.3 280—Mandraliscae. Rich lavender purple, tall, large, handsome, early. 40 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 8.7 282—Marsh Marigold (Bliss). One of the most striking yellow varieties. 30 in. S. pale golden yellow; F. deep purple-brown with a bright yellow margin. \$1.00.
- 7.8 283—Mary Garden (Farr). S. pale yellow, flushed pale lavender; long drooping; F. creamy white, minutely dotted and veined maroon; stigmas clear yellow. 28 in. 35c.
- 7.3 284—Mary Gray (Farr). S. clear lavender-blue; F. dark lobelia-blue. Handsome, large flowers. 3 ft. 50c.
- 285—Mary Orth (Farr). S. light blue-violet; F. dark blue-violet. Large flowers of fine form and color. \$1.00.
- 289—Miranda (Hort.). Clear violet blue with orange beard. Distinct and striking. 40 in. 50c.
- 7.5 290—Mithras (G. & K.). S. light yellow; F. brilliant wine red with narrow border of deep yellow. Beautiful. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.



## June Flowering Irises---Continued

- 7.4 292—Mme. Chereau (Lmn.). White, frilled with wide border of pale blue. Handsome and popular. 32 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 7.8 294—Mme. de Seigne (Den.). Fine large Madam Chereau type, with violet-purple markings. 75c.
- 8.7 291—Mlle. Schwartz (Den.). Color, palest mauve. One of M. Denis' best seedlings. 4 ft. \$1.00.
- 8.4 297—Monsignor (Vilm.). Beautiful rich coloring. S. pale unveined violet; F. a ground work of same shade but richly overlaid and veined except for a broad margin, with deep purple. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 8.2 299—Morwell (Bliss). S. and F. large pale blue purple color. 30 in. 50c.
- 301—Mother of Pearl (Sturt.). S. and F. light blue lavender with faint creamy undertone. Large flowers, vigorous grower, very fine. 40 in. 50c.
- 8.2 300—Mount Penn (Farr). S. lavender rose; F. crimson lilac, deep orange beard. Tall and handsome. 30 in. 50c.
- 7.6 302—Mrs. Alan Gray (Fos.). A delightful lilac shade which gives the impression of pink. Often flowers again in August. Beautiful. 30 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 7.8 303—Mrs. Cowley (Bliss). Early, free flowering. S. coppery pink; F. deep rich rosy-purple. Striking and beautiful. 27 in. \$1.00.
- 6.8 308—Mrs. H. Darwin (Fos.). S. white; F. slightly ret. violet. 2 ft. 25c.
7. 304—Mrs. Kingscote (Perry). S. silvery rose; F. rose pink with conspicuous yellow crest. A near pink. 50c.
- 6.8 305—Mrs. Neubronner (Ware). Deep golden yellow, darker than Aurea. Fine. 2 ft. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 7.4 321—Navajo (Farr). S. light bronze yellow shaded lavender; F. deep maroon heavily veined white and yellow; stigmas, yellow, deep orange beard. 20 in. 35c.
- 8.1 322—Neptune (Yeld). S. bright pale blue; F. rich dark purple-blue. Splendid flower. \$1.00.
- 7.3 324—Nibelungen (G. & K.). S. fawn; F. violet purple on bronze, large, strong, free bloomer. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 8.7 335—Opera (Vilm.). S. dark purple bronze; F. similar coloring but much deeper and richer. 33 in. The effect is bronze red. 75c.
- 7.8 338—Oriflamme (Vilm.). S. lavender of great size; F. deep velvety violet blue. An immense handsome flower. 50c.
- 8.8 347—Pallida Dalmatica. S. lavender; F. clear deep lavender; flowers very large, extra fine. A grand variety. 42 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 8.1 349—Parc de Neuilly (Verd.). Rich purple self approaching plum; large blooms. Beautiful. 30 in. 35c.
- 7.9 351—Parisiana (Vilm.). S. white, dotted and shaded light purple; F. white frilled and edged with lilac. Large and beautiful. 35c.
7. 354—Penge (Fos.). S. light bluish violet; violet-purple. 50c.
- 7.8 355—Perfection (Barr). S. light blue; F. dark violet, black orange beard. Handsome. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 7.2 362—Princess Victoria Louise (G. & K.). S. soft primrose yellow; F. reddish purple with a distinct narrow primrose edge. 2 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 8.3 363—Prosper Laugier (Ver.). F. very broad of deepest velvety crimson, richly veined at the throat. Handsome, large. 32 in. 35c.
- 364—Prospero. Vigorous, tall growing, bearing enormous flowers. S. pale lavender flushed with yellow at base; F. deep red-purple with lighter shading at margin. Deep orange beard. Handsome. 4 ft. \$1.00.
- 8.4 373—Quaker Lady (Farr). S. smoky lavender with yellow shading; F. ageratum-blue and old gold, stigmas yellow. Yellow beard. 38 in. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 9.1 375—Queen Caterina (Sturt.). Pale lavender violet self with a white haft veined with bronze and a rich orange beard. 3 to 4 ft. \$1.00.
- 7.4 376—Queen of May (Sal.). A lovely rose lilac, almost pink. Beautiful. 32 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 7.8 382—Red Cloud (Farr). S. rosy lavender-bronze; F. velvety maroon-crimson, ret. yellow. Stigmas old gold. Very near red. 2 ft. 35c.
- 8.4 385—Rhein Nixe (G. & K.). S. white, very large; F. rich violet purple with a narrow distinct white edge. Handsome. 35c. 3 for 90c. 12 for \$3.00.
- 8.3 389—Rodney (Bliss). Large flowers of dark self violet blue. Very blue tone. 39 in. 50c.
- 8.2 392—Roseway (Bliss). Deep red pink. Early. Strong branching spikes. Almost a self red with a broad orange beard. 75c.
- 6.9 393—Rose Unique (Farr). S. and F. bright violet rose, known as a pink Iris. Large flowering. Handsome. Too low rated. 35c.
- 8.3 403—Seminole (Farr). S. soft violet rose; F. rich velvety crimson, brilliant orange beard. One of the finest reds. 75c.
- 8.7 405—Shekinah (Sturt.). Pale lemon-yellow, deepening through center. Beard orange-yellow. The best clear yellow. 36 in. 75c.
- 7.6 408—Sherwin Wright (Koh.). S. and F. golden yellow; vigorous grower, free flowering. 24 in. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.
- 7.5 409—Shrewsbury (Farr). S. rosy bronze; F. violet purple with lighter shading, the conspicuous heavy orange beard. Striking. 50c.
- 9.3 411—Souv. de Mme. Gaudichau (Mil.). A tall, early and very distinct variety; a deep purple bicolor of unusual velvety appearance. Very beautiful. Strong grower. One of the finest Irises. 42 in. \$1.50.
- 7.9 415—Swatara (Farr). S. lobelia-blue suffused bronzy-yellow at base. F. bright violet with conspicuous orange beard. Large. 3 ft. 35c.
- 7.3 417—Syphax (Bliss). S. pale violet; F. deep crimson purple, boldly ret. at the haft; F. hang almost vertical giving the flower a unique shape. Large flower of rich coloring. A beauty. 30 in. \$1.00.
8. 431—Tom Tit (Bliss). Flowers are small, 3-4 on a stem of deep self violet-blue. F. almost horizontal. A charming shade of blue. 2 ft. 75c.
- 8.2 433—Tristram (Bliss). S. of clearest white; deep rich purple, richly ret. at haft. Distinctive and beautiful. 27 in. 50c.
- 8.1 434—Trojana (Kerner). A magnificent plant 3-4 ft. high, with very large flowers. S. light violet-blue; F. deep purple violet. 35c.

## June Flowering Irises---Continued

8.4 435—**Troost** (Den., 1908). S. deep rosy purple; F. paler, veined violet, which changes to brown in the upper part, the general color being a wonderful shade of very deep pink. 3 ft. 75c.  
 8.3 446—**Ute Chief** (Farr). S. light blue-violet; F. rich royal purple, heavily ret. extra large. 3 ft. \$1.00.  
 7.5 452—**Viola** (Fos.). Flowers of a uniform light bluish violet on erect three foot stems. Handsome. 35c.

8.1 454—**Virginia Moore** (Shull). The tallest yellow self to date standing 33 inches. The same shade of *Hemerocallis* flower. 75c.

8.3 459—**White Knight** (Saunders, 1915). A beautiful absolutely snow white Iris, without markings. Sweet scented. 50c.

(See prices on special collections on page 22.)

## BEARDLESS IRISES (*Apogon*)

These Irises are hardy and quite distinct from the Bearded Irises. They are tall and beautiful and a number of them may be treated as semi-aquatics.

No Iris, no matter how much it loves moisture, will thrive well where water stands in winter, except our native water flag (*Versicolor*) and the European yellow flag (*Pseudo-Acorus*) which may be grown partially in water, and are unexcelled for ponds and boggy places. Plant, if possible, in early autumn or spring.

### Siberian Irises---Section 1

#### June and Early July Flowering

The most delicate and elegant of all the small-flowered Iris. Narrow, grassy foliage, with tall stems and flowers of various shades of blue, with white markings; very free-flowering, and one of the best for cutting.

802—**Baxteri**. S. blue; F. white, slightly veined blue. 4 ft. 25c.

803—**Corean Species**. Rich shades of violet purple, very handsome. 2 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

805—**Flore Pleno**. Deep blue, semi-double flowers. 2½ ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

806—**George Wallace**. Azure-blue; F. marked white. Extra fine. 3 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

807—**Grandis**. Violet, reticulated white. 5 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

810—**Orientalis** (syn. *Sanguinea*). Intensely brilliant blue flowers, the bud being enclosed in conspicuous crimson spathe valves. 3 ft. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

812—**Orientalis, Snow Queen**. Large, ivory-white flowers. Found in Japan by Mr. Barr. 25c each. \$2.50 per dozen.

813—**Orientalis Superba**. Large, violet-blue; handsome foliage, reaching almost to the flowers. 25c. 3 for 60c. 12 for \$2.00.

814—**Perry's Blue** (Perry). Beautiful. Considered finest yet introduced; large flowers, over 4½ inches across. S. sky blue, broad falls standing at right angles, a wonderful shade of old China blue. \$1.00.

(See prices on special collections on page 22.)

### Beardless Irises---Section 2

#### Late June and July Flowering.

The Irises in this group, besides being handsome subjects for the flower and shrubbery border, may be planted by the water side, but with their crowns above the water-level. The varieties are grand and stately plants, growing from 3 to 5 feet in height, with beautiful erect, dark green foliage, which retains its beauty until well into winter. Grown together in masses the effect is most striking and beautiful.

834—**Guldenstadtiana Coerulea**. Robust grower, foliage yellow in spring, changing to green and remains green until snow comes; flowers blue. July. 50c.

843—**Orientalis Gigantea** (syn. *Ochroleuca*). The gold-banded Iris. A noble Iris, growing some 5 feet in height, with handsome strong foliage, producing large flowers of ivory whiteness, with an orange-yellow blotch at the base of the falls. June and July. 50c.

848—**Spuria, Mrs. A. W. Tait** (syn. *Longipetala Superba*). Porcelain-blue with long pale blue falls, having a golden blotch at the base; fine

foliage, free bloomer, and very hardy. Fine for massing. Foliage remains green until late fall. 3 feet. 35c each. \$3.50 per dozen.

849—**Spuria Notha**. Rich violet; blue, spotted yellow; handsome; very strong grower. 3 ft. 35c.

### Beardless Irises---Section 3

#### June and July Flowering.

Irises suitable for planting by the water side, and in very damp or wet places. These will also do well in any good, loamy soil that is kept well cultivated and mellow.

824—**Pseudo-acorus** (The Common Yellow Water Flag). Bright yellow; suitable for marshes and water course. These and *Versicolor* varieties are the only Irises that may be safely planted where water habitually stands. 3 ft. May and June. 25c. \$2.50 per dozen.

825—**Versicolor**. A native species, common to our streams and marshes, flowering in June and July, remaining in bloom a long time; very showy violet-blue flowers. 25c. \$2.50 per dozen.

## Japanese Iris (*Iris Kaempferi*) Section 4

Late June and July Flowering.

The magnificence of Japanese Irises is such that no written description gives them justice. Some of the flowers measure from 10 to 12 inches. The prevailing colors are white, rose-purple, crimson, rose, lilac, lavender, silvery gray, purple, violet and blue; each flower usually representing several shades. They flower from late June to August 5th in this latitude.

Culture. These Irises are really semi-aquatic, and are seen in their full glory when grown at the water's edge.

They can be planted either as a water garden plant, or in a dry location. They can be planted at the margin of streams or ponds. In dry soils they can be grown to perfection if the ground is kept hoed. *Always cover Japanese Irises with a good covering of straw or hay during the winter as they require protection.*

There is always a heavy demand for our stock. They cannot be imported now and it is getting more difficult each year to obtain stock. They do not usually attain sufficient growth in the spring for transplanting until after May 10th. We only sell mixed varieties.

Mixed varieties of Japanese Irises 30c each; \$3.00 per dozen.

## PHLOXES---Hardy Perennial

Flowering from June 20th until late in October.



Phloxes are among the indispensable hardy flowers for the garden, being very hardy floriferous perennials. They are handsome for borders, in beds and amongst the shrubbery, although in most cases they should be massed and preferably in solid colors. They can be used, however, as single specimens. They give a garden a wonderful color effect, flowering as they do from June until in October, and filling in a period between the Irises and Peonies and the Gladiolus. They come in pure white, pink and crimson and in varying combinations of these colors. They grow and succeed almost everywhere and in almost any position.

Culture—Phloxes are gross feeders and will do best in soil that has been enriched. During the summer time mulch with straw or grass clippings, or use our specially prepared fertilizer and give a liberal supply of water during the flowering season. Plant at any time during the spring or early fall, spacing the roots 18 inches or more apart. If the first spikes that bloom are removed

as soon as over, they will produce a second supply of flowers, continuing the display until late in the autumn. These later blooms are often finer than the first. Clumps should be divided and replanted at least every fourth year. To prevent phloxes reverting to type do not allow them to go to seed. After freezing weather starts in the fall it is well to cover the beds with a covering of straw or marsh hay as a protection.

Our Collection includes a number of the better varieties which produce large trusses of beautiful and brilliant flowers. Shipments are made in April and May and from September 15th until the ground freezes.

Prices of the following 13 varieties—35c per root; 3 for \$1.00; 6 or more, 25c each; \$3.00 per dozen. We allow you to make a selection of any combination of varieties at these prices.

**Antonin Mercier.** Beautiful lilac with white eye.

**B. Compte.** Deep rich ox-blood red. One of the finest red shades; strong and large.

**Beacon.** A brilliant cherry red.

**Champs Elysee.** Fine rich purplish-crimson of compact form. Early and exceedingly attractive.

**Europa.** New. Large, well formed white flowers with crimson-carmine eye. Very large individual flower and truss. Sturdy erect habit.

**Miss Lingard.** Waxy white with lavender eye. Longest spikes of any Phlox; blooms from the ground up. Earliest of flower and continuing for a long period.

**Mme. Paul Dutrie.** A lovely shade of lilac rose.

**Mrs. Jenkins.** White immense panicles. One of the best. Early.

**R. P. Struthers.** Rose carmine with claret eye. Very bright. Tall.

**Rynstroom.** Bright rose pink. Extra large flower and truss. Tall. Midseason to late.

**Thor.** A beautiful lively shade of pure salmon-pink, suffused and overlaid with a scarlet glow; has aniline-red eye.

**W. C. Egan.** A delicate lilac with fine large flowers.

**Widar.** Bright reddish-violet with large white center. Fine head.

## NEW VARIETIES, 1929

**Commander.** Brilliant deep crimson red with slightly darker eye. 50c per root; per doz., \$5.00.

**Ethel Pritchard.** Large trusses of even mauve blue. A beautiful variety. 50c per root; per doz., \$5.00.

**Firebrand.** The finest red. Enormous trusses of clear orange scarlet. The largest of this color. 50c per root; per doz., \$5.00.



## DELPHINIUM---Hardy Perennial

A garden is hardly complete without the grand and stately spires of Delphinium rising often to a height of from five to six feet and flowering continuously from June until frost, supplying the garden with varied and rich colors of blue, making a wonderful effect either as backgrounds or for planting in clumps in the border, or along walks or driveways and amongst shrubbery, and by reason of their effectiveness should be planted extensively. Any garden soil suits the Delphinium.

**Chinese.** Slender heads of bright blue flowers in open sprays, flowering from June until frost. Finely cut fern-like foliage. Strong two year roots. 3 ft. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Chinese Alba.** Same but having white flowers. Strong two year roots. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Belladonna.** Clear turquoise blue flowers with long blooming habit. 3-4 ft. Strong two year roots. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Bellamosa.** Same but of dark blue color. Strong two year roots. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**English Hybrids.** Large flowers of varied shades of blue to indigo with a strong run of the most delicate shades of rose, double and single. Strong two year roots. 35c each; 3 for \$1.00; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.50.

## OTHER HARDY PERENNIALS

The following perennials have been carefully selected for use with our other roots and bulbs listed in this catalog as sufficiently hardy to withstand severe changes of temperature. They can be planted with other perennials and bulbs in beds or borders and should be fertilized from time to time in the same way for best results. A location free of tree roots and dense shade is desirable.

**Bleeding Heart** (*Dicentra Spectabilis*). Rose-crimson heart shaped flowers in drooping racemes. 18-24 in. April and May flowering. Strong two year roots, 75c each.

**Chinese Lantern Plants** (*Physalis*). Brilliant orange colored seed pods or lanterns in September. Fine for winter decoration. Roots, 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Coreopsis** (*Lanceolata Grandiflora*). Golden yellow flowers on long graceful stems flowering from June until frost. Fine for cutting. 2 ft. Roots, 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Gaillardia** (*Grandiflora*). A beautiful and desirable perennial with crimson bordered golden yellow flowers blooming from June until frost. Strong two year roots. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Gypsophila** (*Paniculata*) **Baby's Breath.** Tiny white blossoms covering the plant through July and August. Fine for use with cut flowers or for drying for winter decoration. Strong two year roots. 30c each; 3 for 85c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$3.00.

**Hollyhocks.** We carry a fine strain of double varieties of various shades of pink, red, crimson, yellow, black and white which have always been in great demand and are very beautiful. July and August flowering. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

**Oriental Poppy** (*Papaver Orentale*). Massive flowers of deep scarlet. May and June flowering. 35c each; 3 for \$1.00; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.50.

**Platycodon** (*Grandiflorum*). Chinese Bell or Balloon flower. Large, handsome, deep blue, bell-shaped flowers. 35c each; 3 for \$1.00; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.50.

**Pyrethrum** (*Painted Daisy*). Red, white and pink mixed. Blooms in June and July. Beautiful hardy plant for the garden and for cutting. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.50.

Hollyhocks and Delphiniums are wonderful perennials for backgrounds, to hide unsightly views, against fences, garages, etc.

## CANNAS

Cannas make a wonderful show during late summer and throughout the fall. Their bright and gay colors add to the color scheme in the garden. Cannas are easily grown, thriving particularly well in a rich, fairly moist soil. Before the ground freezes dig up and store in basement for winter.

**King Humbert.** Immense heads of coppery scarlet flowers, bronze foliage. 4½ ft.

**Mrs. Alfred E. Conrad.** Magnificent head of perfectly formed flower; color, salmon pink, light green foliage. 4 ft.

**The President.** Immense flower of rich glowing scarlet, green foliage. 4 ft.

**Yellow King Humbert.** A majestic variety with massive green foliage; flowers, golden yellow dotted red. 4½ ft.

Each of above 15c per root; \$1.50 per doz.; 6 for 75c.

If started roots are desired these are 25c per root; \$2.50 per doz.; 6 for \$1.25.

In your order for Cannas you may make any combination of varieties you desire to obtain the six or dozen rate.

## LILIES (Hardy)

No class of plants capable of being cultivated out of doors possesses so many charms. Rich and varied in color, stately and handsome in habit, profuse in variety, and of delicious fragrance, they stand out prominently from all other hardy plants, and no herbaceous border, however select, should be without a few.

Lilies are easy to grow and the varieties we have listed below are all perfectly hardy. Each year they increase in size and beauty.

**Planting Directions**—Plant one foot or more apart and from eight to twelve inches deep (at least ten inches in our colder climate). Avoid ground where water collects. Soil inclined to be light and sandy will produce fine flowers. Throw in a little sand around each bulb when planting. Cover well with a heavy layer of straw for winter.

**Lilium Auratum** (Golden Banded Lily of Japan). A magnificent variety with many flowers on each stem during July and August. Pure white petals attractively spotted with bright crimson and a yellow mid-rib running through the center. 3 to 6 ft. 40c each; 3 for \$1.10; 6 for \$2.00; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

**Lilium Regale** (Regal Lily). A beautiful bluish white lily with fragrant blooms, canary yellow throat. Some flowers have a pink suffusion and purple mid-rib. Blooms during July and August. 3-4 ft. 50c each; 3 for \$1.35; 6 for \$2.50; 12 for \$5.00, postpaid.

**Lilium Rubrum** (The Show Lily of Japan). Large white flowers, suffused rose pink in the center and spotted blood red, with a green stripe at the base. Blooms during August and September. 3-4 ft. 35c each; 3 for 95c; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.50, postpaid.

**Lilium Tigrinum** (Tiger Lily). A popular variety with bright salmon red blooms, spotted purplish black. Very hardy and easily grown, blooming during August and September. Flowers in large clusters. 3-4 ft. 30c each; 3 for 85c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$3.00, postpaid.

**Lilium Tigrinum Flore Pleno** (Double Tiger Lily). Double bright salmon red flowers with contrasting purplish black spots. Blooms during August and September. Permanent and easy to grow. 3-4 ft. 35c each; 3 for 85c; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.50, postpaid.

One each of the five above lilies, list price \$1.90 for \$1.75, postpaid; 3 of each, 15 bulbs, list price \$5.20 for \$4.75, postpaid; 6 of each, 30 bulbs, list price \$9.50 for \$8.50, postpaid; 12 of each, 60 bulbs, list price \$19.00 for \$17.00, postpaid.

[Please send your lily order in early, as our supply will be limited. *Lilium Candidum* (Madonna Lilies) are shipped in the fall and will be listed in our fall supplement.]



AN AURATUM IN FLOWER

## DAHLIAS

If possible, plant in an open, sunny situation. Prepare the soil thoroughly by deep digging. Be moderate in the use of both manure and water. Never plant when the soil is wet. Lay the tuber flat on its side and cover it four inches deep, pressing the soil firmly on the tuber. Keep the soil loose and mellow by frequent hoeing, drawing the soil to a slight hillock around the plant. Tall growing varieties may be kept fairly dwarf by pinching out the tip when the first shoot is six inches high. All varieties growing above four feet should be tied to stout stakes to hold them in position. 3x3 feet is about the proper distance to plant apart. Keep all dead flowers trimmed off. Take up in the fall and store in the basement, covering with a light covering of dry sand or moss.

Dahlia blooms keep much better if cut in the evening—about sunset—and the less foliage taken off with the flowers, the better for both plant and flower. If green is desired, use some other green of better keeping qualities.

**Dakota** (Decorative). Rich coppery red with coppery shadings. Large flower on strong stem. Each, 25c; per doz., \$2.50.

**Countess of Lonsdale** (Cactus). Deep salmon pink. Each, 20c; per doz., \$2.00.

**Dr. Tevis** (Decorative). Salmon rose, old gold and apricot. Each, 25c; per doz., \$2.50.

**Mrs. Carl Salbach** (Decorative). A beautiful lavender pink, strong long stem. A fine cut flower variety. Each, 25c; per doz., \$2.50.

**Pride of California** (Decorative). A brilliant glowing cardinal red, large size on good stems. Fine for cutting. Each, 25c; per doz., \$2.50.

One each of above five varieties, \$1.00; 3 of each, \$2.75.

## ORNAMENTAL FLOWERING SHRUBS

We can supply the following flowering shrubs to our customers this year. Prices following are F. O. B. Farmington, Minnesota, same being sent either by express or parcel post, collect, unless sufficient is remitted to cover charges. No charge for packing unless wooden boxes are necessary, when same will be charged at cost.

**Almond—Flowering.** An early spring flowering shrub blooming before leaves appear with beautiful double flowers of rose and white. Grows 5 ft. 3-4 ft., \$1.25.

**Barberry—Japanese.** A very good dwarf shrub for either hedging or general purposes; covered with bright scarlet berries all through fall and winter. Seldom grows over four feet high and can be trimmed for hedge purposes. 12-18 in., each, 35c; \$3.00 per 10; \$25.00 per 100.

**Honeysuckle—Tartarin.** A beautiful tall flowering variety with pink flowers. Grows about 8 ft. high. 3-4 ft., 75c.

**Hydrangea (Arborescens) Snowball.** Snowy white blooms flowering for about three months. Grows three to four feet. 18-24 in., 60c each; 2-3 ft., 85c.

**Hydrangea (Paniculata Grandiflora).** A beautiful shrub with dense pyramidal panicles of white gradually changing to rose and remaining in good condition for several weeks. August-September. Grows about four feet high. 18-24 in., 60c each; 2-3 ft., 85c.

**Plum—Flowering (Trilobe).** Double flowering plum. Flowers early in spring with very double light pink blossoms. Grows five feet. 3-4 ft., \$1.25.

**Plum (Newport).** A purple leaved plum of slow growth with red leaves maturing to deep bronze purple in late summer. Flowers rosy white. Grows ten feet. 3-4 ft., \$1.25.

**Snowberry.** Suitable where a medium height shrub is desired. Rose colored flowers in June and July followed by large clusters of fruit which remain far into the winter. Grows four feet. 2-3 ft., 50c.

**Spiraea Van Houttei—Bridal Wreath.** A beautiful shrub with pure white blossoms in May and June, leaves remaining a deep dark green from spring until fall. Indispensable in any grouping of shrubbery, and fine for hedges. 18-24 in., 35c each; \$3.00 per 10; \$25.00 per 100; 3-4 ft., 50c each; \$4.00 per 10; \$35.00 per 100.

**Syringa (Philadelphus) Sweet Mock Orange.** A handsome tall shrub with clusters of white flowers very fragrant. Grows seven feet. 3-4 foot, 75c.

## FERTILIZER

There has been a continuous call on us from our customers for a fertilizer good for roots, bulbs, lawns and shrubbery. After considerable experimenting we have prepared and offer for sale the following good fertilizers which we are offering in small and large amounts sufficient for any size garden.

**Rainbow Garden Fertilizer—**This is a special garden fertilizer containing the proper ingredients and proper proportions of nitrogen, phosphates and potash suitable for Irises, Peonies, Phloxes and Gladiolus and other garden flowers and for the lawn. A handful or two of this fertilizer applied near each plant should produce for you good results both in root growth and size of flower. We offer this in sacks in small and large amounts, at the following prices, f. o. b. Farmington, Minn.:

10 lbs., 75c; 25 lbs., \$1.50; 50 lbs., \$2.25; 100 lbs., \$4.00.

**Bone Meal—**Also a good fertilizer for flowers, shrubs and lawns.

10 lbs., 75c; 25 lbs., \$1.50; 50 lbs., \$2.25; 100 lbs., \$4.00.

**Note—**When shipping expense is not remitted in advance, the above fertilizers will be shipped either parcel post, collect, or by express or freight, f. o. b. Farmington, Minn.

## GARDEN BOOKS

The following books will be found especially helpful to all gardeners and home owners, giving you a Reference Library for dependable information. All are written by authors of well-known reputation. We furnish these books at the publishers' prices. Add 10c for postage.

**Tall Bearded Iris.** By Walter Stager. 262 pages. \$2.00.

**Peonies in the Little Garden.** The best and clearest popular guide yet written on the Peony. By Mrs. Edward Harding. 91 pages. \$1.75.

**The Book of Bulbs.** A fine and complete book on bulbs of all kinds and their culture. By F. F. Rockwell. 264 pages. \$3.00.

**The Design of Small Properties.** A book filled with information and plans for various sizes of City and Suburban lots and Farmsteads. By M. E. Bottomley. 233 pages. \$3.00.

## GLADIOLUS (Bulbs)

Flowering from July 15th until October, depending on variety

For beautiful flowers from July until late fall there are none so dependable and magnificent or that give more satisfaction than gladiolus. As cut flowers, they have no peer and when planted in clumps and masses in the garden they invariably make a grand showing.

A number of exquisitely beautiful varieties have been introduced the past few years and after several years of experimenting and discarding we are offering a collection of the best and choicest varieties, any one or all of which the flower lover will be justly proud. In purchasing gladiolus bulbs it is best to get what is worth while and the best named varieties give the most satisfaction. By ordinary care and in cutting as explained below, your collection will steadily increase so that your garden will soon have a considerable showing.

**When to Order the Bulbs.** Orders for gladiolus are shipped in November, weather conditions permitting, and from April 1st until May 25th, when we plant our stock. Shipments ordered during the winter must be at the purchaser's risk. We send out first-class, sound, northern grown bulbs of large size. Some varieties do not make as large bulbs as others, however. Send in your order as early as possible to assure early delivery and of the varieties desired, for although we usually carry a large supply, the demand for our beautiful varieties is very heavy. All quotations are subject to stock being unsold on receipt of order. No substitution will be made except upon your directions.

**Planting Instructions.** If weather conditions permit, start planting the first part of May and plant at intervals up to June 10th to secure a succession of flowers from July until late fall. It usually takes from 60 to 95 days from time of

planting until flowering, depending on the variety, size of bulb, soil and weather conditions. It is possible to use a new location each year, not planting in the same location oftener than every third year. If a good coating of manure is spaded in deeply in the fall and well spaded and pulverized in the spring, the soil will be in fine condition. If used only at planting, it is better to use high-grade commercial fertilizers such as bone meal, pulverized sheep manure or a liquid fertilizer applied to the soil near the rows but not too close to the bulbs. Deep planting is necessary in order to properly develop the new bulb which grows on top of the old one. Plant six inches deep with less on very heavy soils. Deep planting gives a heavy stalk and saves the necessity of using stakes. By planting the bulbs 4 to 6 inches apart in either single or double rows making your Gladiolus beds either round, oval, oblong or square and leaving a space of one and a half to two feet apart between the rows will allow sufficient room not only to plant a large number of bulbs, but will give sufficient space between the rows for hoeing and cultivating and for hilling up the bulbs (same as for potatoes). This conserves the moisture around the bulbs and checks the growth of weeds and the space between the rows allows sufficient room to reach the flowers. To prevent soil crust forming keep the soil well worked. Thorough waterings in the evening during development aid considerably.

**Cutting.** When cutting the flowers leave at least two to four leaves. The bulbs need them to assist in their ripening. If the spikes are cut when the first buds open, their stems cut off a bit every day and the water changed, every bud will open. Treated in this way the flowers will last from ten days to two weeks.

**Digging and Care of Bulbs.** Before the ground freezes in the fall dig up the bulbs, using a spading fork if possible. Take up the bulbs carefully if you desire to save the bulblets and cut off the stalk about one-half inch from the bulb. Allow to dry for a week or more before removing the old corm from the new bulb and bulblets. The old corm is worthless and should be thrown away. Plant the bulblets the following spring in shallow trenches and the second year they should flower. After removing the old corm and bulblets allow the bulbs to be exposed to the sun or other heat until thoroughly dried and cured, then pack in bags or shallow boxes and place for the winter in a cool, dry place in the cellar where the temperature will not go below freezing point.

**Facts About Bulbs.** "Blooming size bulbs," a term often used, may mean any size bulb from ½ in. (No. 5) in diameter up and will, it is true, produce flowers, but very small ones. There is a great difference in value of No. 4 or No. 5 bulbs and No. 1 (1½ in. up in diameter) and No. 2 (1¼ to 1½ in.). We will continue, as in the past, to send out No. 1 stock of each variety, reserving the right to send No. 2 stock only when our No. 1 stock of any variety is exhausted, which does not often occur. This gives our customers large choice bulbs, which should give them the finest of flowers if our planting directions are followed. Our bulbs are exceptionally fine this year.

Our soil and our Minnesota climate are particularly adaptable for the growing of large and sound Gladiolus bulbs which have always given satisfaction to our customers.

**RATINGS.** The American Gladiolus Society has published a report with ratings on 150 varieties of Gladiolus from 65 large growers. Many of our varieties have been included in this rating and those omitted will be rated later. See page 2.

As far as possible we give the name of introducer after name of variety. Prices quoted on Gladiolus include parcel post charges. No charge for packing. See directions for ordering on page 2.

Remember we do not ship orders amounting to less than \$1.00.

Six bulbs will be furnished at dozen rates, 25 at the 100 rate.

**GLADOLUS (Bulbs)--Continued**

	Each	Dozen	100
American Beauty (Diener). Brilliant American Beauty color. Throat creamy yellow striped with ruby. Many flowers open at once-----	.25	2.50	----
87.9 Anna Eberius (Diener). Dark velvety purple-rose. Deep Rhodamine purple, shading into a very deep Bordeaux center. Handsome -----	.10	1.00	7.50
Bengal Tiger (Pratt). Large blossoms of a peculiar shade of smoky red, striped and lined with smoky blue gray. Certainly well named. Unusual colorings. Highly recommended-----	.20	2.00	----
78.9 Baron Hulot (Lemoine). A beautiful rich indigo blue. Fine blue---	.10	1.00	7.50
81.9 Bertrex (Austin). Pure white with pale lilac flecks. Ruffled-----	.08	.80	6.00
82.2 Byron L. Smith (Kundred). Lavender pink on white ground, equal to a very choice cattleya orchid. Fine as a cut flower -----	.15	1.50	11.00
Catherine Coleman (Coleman). Large, rich geranium pink with soft dahlia purple markings in throat; an exceptionally choice variety and prize winner; a spike is a whole bouquet-----	.60	6.00	----
Chateau Thierry (Vos). Bright scarlet red bordered by light yellow on lower petals, enormous flowers, fine spike-----	.12	1.20	----
87.1 Crimson Glow (Betcher). Extra tall strong spike with mammoth brilliant crimson flowers. The finest crimson. Handsome -----	.10	1.00	7.50
Dr. F. E. Bennett (Diener). A gorgeous red overlaid with flame scarlet, throat flecked with ruby and white. Finest in its color and a prize winner	.35	3.50	----
Duchess of York (Houdyshell). Tall bluish purple; several open at a time. In great demand, a real good gladiolus-----	.25	2.50	----
88.4 E. J. Shaylor (Kundred). Tall, very strong plant with large blooms. A beautiful deep rose-pink. Ruffled. Very early -----	.10	1.00	7.50
Elizabeth Tabor (Kinkle). A delicate rosy pink, lower petals bearing a rich dark crimson blotch, tall, large flower, exceptionally beautiful -----	.15	1.50	----
84.4 Europa (Pfitzer). Pure white large, finest exhibition white-----	.15	1.50	11.00
88.2 Evelyn Kirtland (Austin). Rosy pink, darker at the edges, fading to shell pink at center, brilliant scarlet blotches on lower petals-----	.10	1.00	7.50
George Paul (Lemoine). A perfect Harvard red. Large flowers-----	.10	1.00	7.50
Giant Nymph (Coleman). Very large light salmon rose. Tall, strong and one of the best pinks. Often grows 6 feet high with blooms 6 inches in diameter -----	.20	2.00	----
90.1 Golden Measure (Kelway). Large blooms of rich golden yellow with no markings. A strong grower with very large spike of blooms-----	.10	1.00	----
82.7 Goliath (Velthuys). Extra large wide open flower, deep velvety wine; extra fine, dark red, large spike; beautiful -----	.12	1.20	8.50
81.8 Gretchen Zang (Austin). Large sparkling blooms, most beautiful soft melting pink, blending into scarlet on long petals -----	.06	.60	4.50
Henry Ford (Diener). Dark rhodamine purple shading into deeper tones in center. Handsome-----	.15	1.50	----
81.7 Halley (Velthuys). Large delicate salmon pink with light creamy blotch, earliest large flowering Gladiolus to bloom; fine for cutting-----	.05	.50	4.00
86.7 Herada (Austin). Large blooms of pure mauve, glistening and clear, with deeper markings in throat. Very attractive and unusual color-----	.08	.80	6.00
Jack London (Diener). Light salmon with vermilion stripes canary yellow throat with ruby stripes a perfect flower-----	.20	2.00	----
John T. Pirie (Kunderd). A new color and very beautiful; mahogany brown with yellow bordered dark mahogany brown throat -----	.25	2.50	----
85.5 Le Marechal Foch (Deursen). Extremely large light rose pink and blooms early. The finest cut flower variety that ever came from Holland	.05	.50	4.00
81.6 L'Immaculee. An excellent white, exceedingly tall, strong spike----	.08	.80	6.00
London Smoke (Deiner). Dark smoky pink overlaid with slate. One of the best smokes -----	.20	2.00	----
Los Angeles (Houdyshell). The famous cut and come again variety. Sends up numerous side spikes and continues to flower for a long period. Shrimp pink with orange-carmine throat; a very attractive variety -----	.20	2.00	----
85.1 Louise (Wright). A very popular lavender. Dark rose purple with a light amaranth purple blotch on lower petals. Throat shaded darker--	.10	1.00	7.50
87.1 Mary Pickford (Kundred). Delicate creamy-white. Throat finest soft sulphur yellow. Stem and calix also white-----	.10	1.00	7.50
Mr. W. H. Phipps (Deiner). A real wonder. Light rose salmon, twenty or more enormous flowers on a spike and nearly all open at once. A prize winner at all shows. One of the finest in existence -----	.50	5.00	----
Mona Lisa (Kundred). Palest rose pink. A most delicately colored gladiolus. Ruffled and exceedingly beautiful-----	.12	1.20	----
78 Mr. Mark (Velthuys). An attractive light blue with darker blotch---	.12	1.20	8.50

**GLADIOLUS (Bulbs) ---Continued**

	Each	Dozen	100
89.1 Mrs. Dr. Norton (Kundred). Finest cream with edges suffused soft La France pink. Very beautiful. Awarded the highest honors -----	.08	.80	6.00
Mrs. F. C. Peters (Fischer). A beautiful amaranth-pink with a purplish blotch in the throat. Beautiful gladiolus and prize winner -----	.20	2.00	----
83.3 Mrs. Frances King (Coblentz). A striking shade of light scarlet or flame color, most effective both for beds and cutting -----	.05	.50	4.00
87.6 Mrs. Frank Pendelton (Kundred). Light pink, heavily blotched with blood red on throat. A remarkably attractive and beautiful variety-----	.08	.80	6.00
86.8 Mrs. Geo. W. Moulton (Kundred). A giant violet red or cerise. Many open. Nicely placed on spike. An occasional blossom comes double	.12	1.20	8.50
Mrs. H. E. Bothin (Diener). Light geranium pink heavily ruffled. Flame scarlet center. Strong spikes. First class show and cut flower variety_	.20	2.00	15.00
Mrs. Leon Douglas (Diener). Salmon-rose pink striped with flame and scarlet. One of the tallest, largest and showiest in existence. Several enormous blooms open at once-----	.25	2.50	----
84. Muriel (Pfitzer). Pale violet, orchid blue with purplish blotch on lower petals. Distinct, showy and beautiful. One of the finest blues-----	.20	2.00	\$15.00
82.3 Orange Glory (Kundred). Massive flowers of orange color with lighter throat. Heavily ruffled. Very rich and striking color. Beautiful_	.12	1.20	8.50
84.8 Peace (Groff). Grand large flowers, white with claret blotch on lower petal and pale lilac featherings. Late-----	.06	.60	4.50
Persia. Very deep red almost black. Best in this color -----	.25	2.50	----
Pink Lily (Kunderd). A very pretty ruffled deep rose pink. A very attractive variety-----	.15	1.50	----
86.9 Pink Wonder (Kemp). Many flowers open at one time. A giant pale pink, blooms 6½ inches in diameter-----	.15	1.50	11.00
Pola Negri (Diener). Apricot with yellow lip, ruffled, shading into rose and salmon on outer edges. A lovely color combination -----	.20	2.00	----
Pride of Hillegom. Light scarlet red. Lower petals deeper red. Fine spikes. Many flowers open-----	.12	1.20	8.50
Pride of Lancaster (Kundred). Brilliant orange salmon deeper orange throat; large spikes, massive flowers. A beautiful ruffled variety-----	.10	1.00	7.50
82.9 Prince of Wales. A grenadine pink or deep buff, with throat markings of a deeper tone. The tips of petals shaded darker or apricot buff_	.08	.80	6.00
Purple Glory (Kundred). Tyrian-rose, suffused amaranth-purple, slightly flecked; dark, velvety-purple in throat. Excellent show variety. Ruffled_	.15	1.50	11.00
84 Red Emperor. Bright nopal red, self color except the lower petals are speckled white in throat. One of the best scarlet reds -----	.15	1.50	11.00
Richard Diener (Diener). Beautiful shade of rose salmon, creamy yellow throat. Immense blossoms nearly whole spike open at once. One of the most beautiful in existence-----	.25	2.50	----
Romance (Kundred). Salmon-rose, bordered blue. Odd and pretty. Several blooms open at once. In great demand-----	.20	2.00	----
84.8 Rose Ash (Metzner). A blending of light old rose and ashes of roses. Ruffled. Very unusual and exceedingly attractive -----	.10	1.00	7.50
Scarlano (Kunderd). Scarlet blotched ox-blood red in throat. Ruffled. A very distinct and beautiful variety-----	.12	1.20	8.50
Scarlet Princes (Kundred). A beautiful red with six or more massive blooms open at a time, throat a little deeper. Massive spike -----	.15	1.50	----
Scarsdale (Cowee). Rosy magenta, splashed with a deeper shade-----	.08	.80	6.00
80.9 Schwaben (Pfitzer). Pure canary-yellow, shading to a soft sulphur yellow. Magnificent -----	.06	.60	4.50
Sydonia. Fine Amaryllis formed (Lily shaped) flowers of a clear violet_	.10	1.00	7.50
Tyrian Beauty (Kundred). Magnificent spike of large flowers of pure Tyrian rose. Tall, beautiful and attractive-----	.15	1.50	----
84.3 Violet Beauty (Kundred). Tall, large cerise-violet. Grand red throat blotches. Ruffled. A beautiful flower-----	.15	1.50	11.00
84.1 War (Groff). Deep scarlet; paler in throat, flaked blood red with lighter middle line. One of the finest reds. Blooms very late-----	.10	1.00	7.50
78.4 Wilbrink. A sport of Halley. Retains Halley's earliness and has the color of America, soft yellow blotch on lower petals; very attractive-----	.05	.50	4.00
Primulinus Hybrids. A smaller type of Gladiolus. Colors range from lightest primrose, through apricots, yellows, orange and bronze, to deep, rich rose and reds. Flowers earlier. Fine for cutting. Mixed -----	.04	.40	3.00
Alice Tiplady (Kundred). A grand, large primulinus of most beautiful orange saffron color. Very choice-----	.08	.80	6.00
Jewell (Zee) Prim. A beautiful salmon-pink with a clear golden-yellow throat. A large wide-open flower which attracts considerable attention_	.10	1.00	7.50

**Rainbow Gardens Mixture of Gladiolus.** This is a superb mixture of a large number of high class beautiful varieties of Gladiolus and includes many of the above named fine expensive varieties. A wide range of color and many of the blooms are ruffled. Large bulbs: Per dozen, 50c; per 100, \$4.00; per 250, \$8.50; per 500, \$15.00; per 1,000, \$28.00.

## Our Roots and Bulbs Grow Everywhere

### WHAT SOME OF OUR CUSTOMERS SAY

As to a quantity of Tulips and Irises:

Craig, Alaska, June 28th, 1928.

I want to tell you how much we have enjoyed our Tulips and Irises. The tulips were especially lovely as they lasted so long. People here had never seen such flowers—some of them were as large as a bowl. My yard is on a corner and I have plenty of spectators. My Irises all blossomed except two. Dusky Maid was beautiful. The others each had one stalk, but I was delighted that they bloomed at all the first year. I thought you would be interested to know how the bulbs turned out and I can assure you that we have been more than pleased with them.

MRS. W. O.

Immediately following this letter we received an order from Ketchikan, Alaska, from a customer who had seen the above flowers in bloom, viz.:

Ketchikan, Alaska, July 2nd, 1928.

Please ship me about October 1st the following, viz.:

Your special collection N of Gladiolus.

Your special collection of 3 each of your Tulips.

E. L.

As to a quantity of two year Peony roots, all fine varieties, shipped last spring:

East Hartford, Conn., June 11th, 1928.

I received your letter and should have written you before this, but it is not too late to tell you I received the Peonies. They were all beautiful roots. They are up a foot and a half row and full of buds and I want to thank you very much for sending me such nice roots. I am much pleased with my order I got from you.

MRS. H. A. H.

Will you kindly forward to me your latest catalog of gladiolus. I have quite a number of your bulbs and they are the finest in our locality and have taken quite a few prizes. I am in the market for more and would be pleased if you would advise which of your bulbs are the choicest.

Franklinville, N. J., January 8, 1929.

J. H. P.

We received the peony roots and they sure look mighty fine. I am sending you a list of gladiolus and phloxes and am enclosing an order also for tulips and check to cover all.

Austin, Minn., October 14, 1928.

M. D. M.

I have a bed of Rynstroom (Phlox) bought from you some time ago which are very large and beautiful. The gladiolus ordered from you are growing beautifully.

Chevy Chase, Md., July 8, 1928.

MISS M. L.

Just checked peony roots received from you over and find them very good roots indeed.

Glidden, Iowa, October 3, 1928.

O. M. B.

Please send me the above order of irises. I am more than pleased with what I bought of you last year (gladiolus). Every one blossomed and they were beauties.

Bartlett, N. H., August 28, 1928.

N. S. W.

The irises received from you last summer were by far the most healthy irises I ever received.

Knoxville, Iowa, April 12, 1928.

MRS. O. T. E.

Please send me following gladiolus. . . . I have always been well pleased with what you send me.

St. Paul, Minn., May 2nd, 1928.

MRS. F. C. P.

Please send us the gladiolus on the enclosed order. Your splendid collection at the Minnesota State Fair attracted my attention and I wish to add to my collection.

Warrensburg, Mo., April 7, 1928.

J. H.



## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

To introduce our Specialties and in order to get our customers interested in Irises, Peonies, Phloxes, Lilies, Gladiolus, etc., we have listed a series of Special Collections made up of first class varieties, which have always been popular and in great demand. The following collections will be found to be of the same high standard:

### IRISES

- A—12 fine named varieties, our selection, all colors, red, pink, lavender, blue, purple, etc., list price over \$4.00 ..... \$3.00
- B—15 fine named high rated varieties and more expensive than in A, all colors, our selection, list price over \$6.00..... 5.00
- Collection A is of different varieties from B so that both may be ordered if desired. Irises in all collections are labeled.
- C—25 named varieties, high rated, all colors, our selection, list price \$12.00..... 10.00
- D—Continuous Blooming Collection: 3 Dwarf; 3 Intermediae; 2 Late May; 8 Tall Bearded; 2 Siberian and 2 Japanese; total, 20 varieties, our selection, list price over \$6.00..... 5.00
- E—Continuous Blooming Collection: Same but twice the number of each of the foregoing Collection, our selection (list price over \$12.00)..... 10.00

### PEONIES

#### Special Collections of Magnificent All Color Combinations.

Each of the following Collections of Peonies is of different varieties so that more than one Collection may be ordered if a larger number of roots is desired. Each of the Collections is made up of different shades of red, white and pink and flower at different times, giving a long succession of bloom.

- F—One root each of Festiva Maxima, Couronne d'Or, Edulis Superba, Madam Forel, Berloiz and Delachei, all labeled, list price \$4.15..... \$3.50
- G—One root each of Albert Crousse, La Perle, Mons. Dupont, Mme. de Verneville, Ben Franklin and Felix Crousse, list price \$5.75..... 5.00
- H—One root each of Avanchance, Marie Lemoine, Marguerite Gerard, Etta, Mons. Jules Elie, Karl Rosenfield and Prince of Darkness, list price \$8.50 ..... 7.50
- I—One root each Baroness Schroeder, La Tendresse, James Kelway, Asa Gray, Mathilde de Roseneck, Grandiflora, Grover Cleveland, Old Silver Tip and Rachel, list price \$11.50..... 10.00
- J—A de Luxe Collection—All high rated, beautiful, flowering for a long period of time and commanding attention in any garden—One root each of Charles McKillip, Mary Brand, Mons. Martin Cahuzac, Richard Carvel, Sarah Bernhardt, Walter Faxon, Lady Alexander Duff, Therese, Madam Emile Lemoine, Alsace Lorraine and Marie Lemoine, list price \$29.00..... 25.00

In ordering any of the above collections of Peonies substitution may be made of not over two varieties of Peonies in any collection for other varieties of the same cost price per root.

### GLADIOLUS

Our Special Collections of Gladiolus are made up of the following fine varieties, viz.:

- K—One bulb each of our 66 named varieties, list price \$9.86 ..... \$8.75
- L—Three bulbs each of 14 varieties, viz.: Anna Eberius, George Paul, Gretchen Zang, Halley, Le Marechal Foch, L'Immaculee, Mrs. Francis King, Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Peace, Prince of Wales, Scarlano, Scarsdale, Schwaben, Alice Tiplady, list price \$3.15 ..... 2.75
- M—Three each of 18 more expensive varieties, viz.: Baron Hulot, Bertrex, Byron L. Smith, Chateau Thierry, Crimson Glow, E. J. Shaylor, Evelyn Kirtland, Golden Measure, Goliath, Louise, Mary Pickford, Mrs. Dr. Norton, Mrs. Geo. W. Moulton, Pride of Lancaster, Rose Ash, Sydonia, War, Jewell, list price \$5.61..... 5.00
- N—Three each of 41 varieties, viz.: Anna Eberius, Baron Hulot, Bertrex, Chateau Thierry, Crimson Glow, E. J. Shaylor, Elizabeth Tabor, Evelyn Kirtland, George Paul, Golden Measure, Goliath, Gretchen Zang, Halley, Henry Ford, Herada, Le Marechal Foch, L'Immaculee, Louise, Mary Pickford, Mr. Mark, Mrs. Dr. Norton, Mrs. Francis King, Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Mrs. Geo. W. Moulton, Orange Glory, Peace, Pride of Hillegom, Pride of Lancaster, Prince of Wales, Red Emperor, Rose, Ash, Scarlano, Scarlet Princess, Scarsdale, Schwaben, Sydonia, War, Wilbrink, Alice Tiplady, Jewell, list price \$12.03..... 10.00
- O—Three each of the following 18 magnificent varieties, viz.: American Beauty, Bengal Tiger, Chateau Thierry, Dr. F. E. Bennett, Duchess of York, Giant Nymph, Jack London, John T. Pirie, London Smoke, Los Angeles, Mrs. Leon Douglas, Mr. W. H. Phipps, Mrs. F. C. Peters, Persia, Pink Lily, Romance, Richard Diener, Scarlet Princess, list price, \$12.21..... 10.00
- P—Six each of the varieties listed in Collection O and including six of Catherine Colman, 114 bulbs..... 20.00
- Q—One each of the varieties listed in Collection O and one each of the following: Anna Eberius, Europa, Crimson Glow, Golden Measure, Henry Ford, Louise, Mr. Mark, Muriel, Purple Glory, Orange Glory, Rose, Ash, Tyrian Beauty, War and Peace, 32 bulbs, list price \$5.80..... 5.00
- R—One each of the varieties listed in Collection O and two each of the additional varieties listed in Collection Q and two each of the following: Baron Hulot, Evelyn Kirtland, Goliath, Herada, Mrs. Dr. Norton and Mrs. Geo. W. Moulton, 60 bulbs, list price \$8.73..... 7.50



# Color Classification of the PEONIES of Rainbow Gardens, Inc. FARMINGTON, MINN.

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Peonies are such wonderful flowers for home decoration and for cutting that they should be planted in abundance. By planting the early, mid-season and late flowering of the various colors you can have beautiful varieties of Peonies throughout the month of June and early part of July. The following color classification will aid you in making such a selection:

## WHITE PEONIES

### PURE WHITE

Early Flowering—James Kelway.  
Midseason—Baroness Schroeder, Jubilee.  
Late Midseason—Le Cygne.  
Late—Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

### WHITE, SPLASHED OR FLECKED WITH CRIMSON

Early Flowering—Festiva Maxima, Madam de Verneville.  
Midseason—La Tendresse, Madam Emile Lemoine, Jubilee.  
Late Midseason—Avalanche, Francis Willard.  
Late—Florence Nightingale, Mons Dupont.  
Very Late—Enchantress, Marie Lemoine.

### WHITE WITH YELLOW

Early—Duc de Wellington, Duchess de Nemours.  
Midseason—Alsace Lorraine, La Rosiere.  
Late—Couronne d'Or.

## YELLOW PEONIES

Early—Fanny Crosby.  
Midseason—Primevere, Solfatara.

## PINK PEONIES

### LIGHT PINK

Early—Asa Gray, Eugenie Verdier, Jeanne d'Arc, Judge Berry, Lady Alexandra Duff, Therese.  
Early Midseason—La Tulipe, Octavie Demay.  
Midseason—Archie Brand, La Perle, Madam Calor.  
Late Midseason—La France, Marguerite Gerard, Madam Jules Dessert, Sarah Bernhardt, Solange, Venus.  
Late—Albert Crousse, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Madam Emile Galle, Tourangelle.  
Very Late—Grandiflora, Harriet Farnsley, Louisa Brand.

### DARK PINK

Early—Edulis Superba, Mons Jules Elie.  
Early Midseason—Floral Treasure.  
Midseason—Madam Forel, Madam Geissler, Ruth Brand.  
Late Midseason—Chestine Gowdy, Claire Dubois, Elwood Pleas, Madam de Gathau, Walter Faxon.  
Late—Dorchester, Faribault, Livingstone, Martha Bullock, Mathilde de Roseneck, Milton Hill.  
Very Late—Etta, Phoebe Cary.

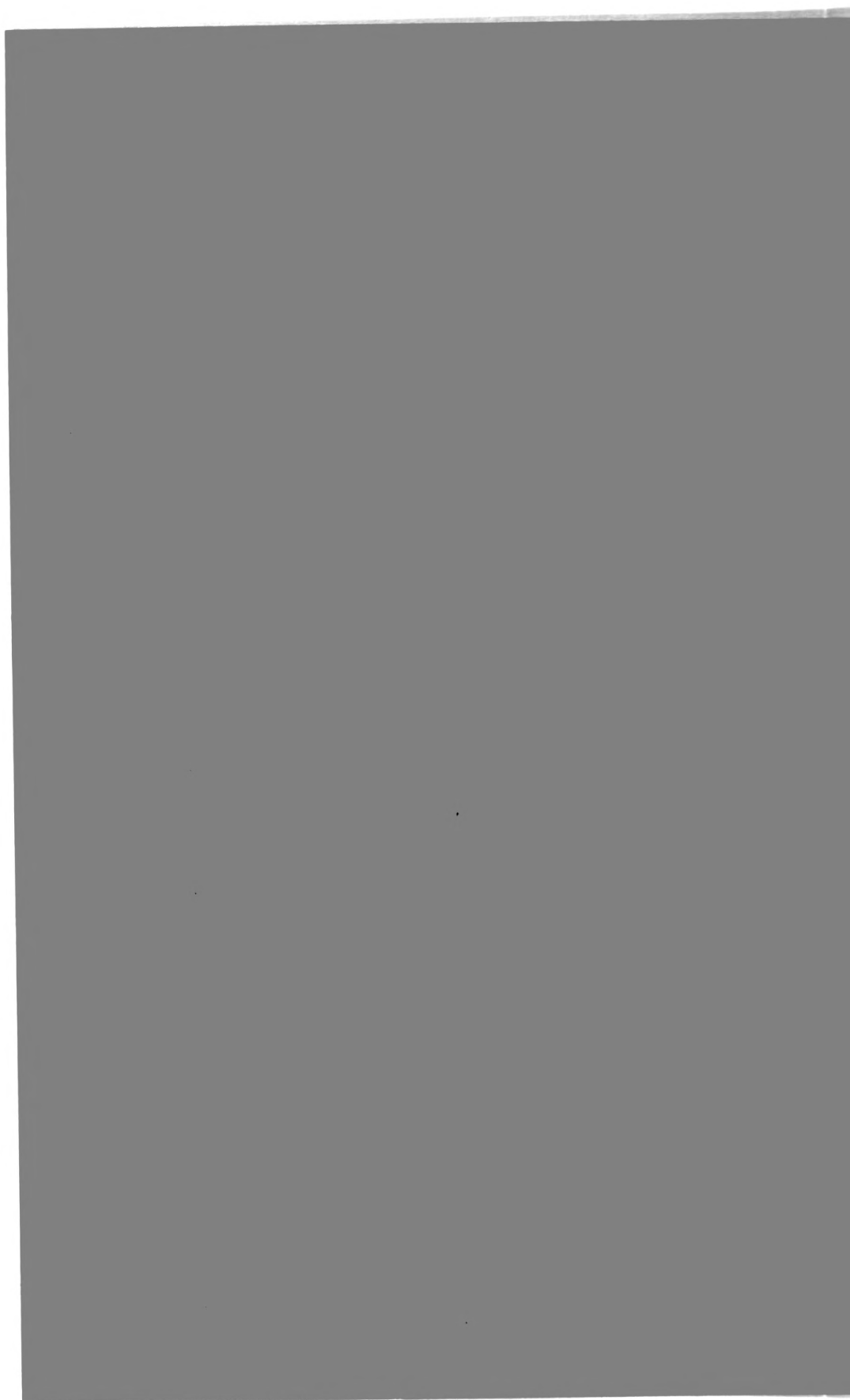
## RED PEONIES

### LIGHT RED

Midseason—Berloiz, Old Silver Tip.

### DARK RED AND CRIMSON

Very Early—Tenuifolia Fl. Pl., Officinalis Rubra.  
Early—Richard Carvel, Lora Dexheimer, Pierre Dessert.  
Also the following very dark reds and garnets are early to early midseason:  
Adolphe Rousseau, Cherry Hill, Mons Martin Cabusa, Prince of Wales, Philippe Rivoire.  
Midseason—Augustin d'Hour, Brand's Magnificent, Charles McKellip, Delachei, Eugene Bigot, H. F. Reddick, Karl Rosenfield, Longfellow, Mary Brand, Rachel.  
Late—Felix Crousse, Grover Cleveland, Lord Kitchener.  
Very Late—Rubra Superba, Mikado (Jap.).



## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS--Continued

**Cannas**—See Collections on Page 15.

**Dahlias**—See Collections on Page 16.

**Lilies**—See Collections on Page 16.

**Phloxes**—See Collections on Page 14. Note also that as to Phloxes we allow you to select any combination of varieties you desire out of the thirteen first named so you can take advantage of our special prices when ordering a number of roots.

### GIFT BOXES

No gift is more acceptable to a flower lover than a gift of fine roots or bulbs for his or her particular garden. They can be of any of our Collections on page 22 or of any Special roots or bulbs desired to be sent. They make ideal Birthday, Anniversary or other Special Day gifts of lasting nature and affording continuous pleasure and remembrance.

They can be ordered any time, to be forwarded during the shipping season and when such Special Day comes during our Shipping Season we will do our part in forwarding the gift so it will arrive on the desired date. Also, if you desire we will notify the party of such gift to be sent to him when same will be shipped.

### GARDEN PLANNING AND PLANTING

In the Twin Cities or elsewhere, where the distance is not too great from our Gardens we have made arrangements so that we can plan and plant a Garden of our Specialties for you, which will give you the most beautiful of flowers from April until November. If you are interested and desire us to plan and plant your garden write us and we will be glad to take up the matter with you at once.

We will also be glad at any time to help our customers in making plans and selections for such purposes as the planting of grounds of business and public buildings, Public School grounds, Church grounds, Oil Stations, Cemetery grounds, etc.

### AT OUR GARDENS

We carry certain plants, etc., for sale at our Gardens not listed in this catalog for the reason of difficulty of shipping for any distance, viz.: Plants and Flowers for Easter, Mothers' Day and Decoration Day. Flower Seeds, Plants for Window Boxes, Clematis Vines, Fertilizers, Bird Houses, Bird Baths, Vases, Pottery and Baskets. Also throughout the Spring, Summer and Fall, we sell Cut Flowers of all of our specialties at very reasonable prices. We can supply Flowers in quantities for Weddings, Parties, Banquets, etc.

## LETTERS FROM CUSTOMERS

Sioux City, Iowa, April 20, 1928.

The irises I bought from you three years ago are very beautiful. I am enclosing an order for some of your phlox.

MRS. H. L. S.

East Northfield, Mass., May 23, 1928.

Please send the following irises to each of the following five addresses. Somehow your bulbs are always good and usually bloom the first year.

MISS F. C. H.

Minneapolis, Minn., February 2, 1928.

With the order enclosed for gladiolus I am also sending an order for a friend. She says my gladiolus purchased from you were the prettiest she ever saw.

MISS E. B.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 10, 1928.

Please send me at the proper planting time the following gladiolus. . . . Last year you sent me some gladiolus bulbs with my peony order of very high grade, some growing 3 to 4 spikes on each bulb.

W. C. F.

Marshalltown, Iowa, July 15, 1928.

I am very much pleased with the shrubs and plants (Phlox and shrubs) bought of you. All of them are growing nicely.

W. W. O.

# HAPPINESS



HE builded his happiness out of these:  
Birds and blossoms and friendly trees,  
Books that stood on a little shelf,  
Three or four neighbors, much like himself,  
The wife and children who bore his name  
And he asked no favors from wealth or fame.

He found delight in his garden plot,  
Knew marigold and forget-me-not;  
He walked the hills, and he fished the streams,  
With friends he trusted he shared his dreams.  
He was sometimes merry and sometimes sad,  
But he made the most of what joys he had.

He found his thrills in the lesser things,  
The joy a blossoming peony brings;  
The merry songs and the kindly mirth  
Of the gentle women and men of earth.  
He thanked his God for the right to live,  
And he never asked more than life could give.

Seekers for happiness wander far,  
And, oh, how jaded and tired they are,  
Forever pursuing the strange new thrill  
They never have caught and never will!  
But he found friendship and flowers and trees,  
And builded his happiness out of these.

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